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BETHEL AND VICINITY

Mrs. I. H. Wight is spending a while at Fort Myers, Fla.

The Academy and town schools are closed for the holidays.

O. G. King spent the week end with his family at J. P. Butts'.

Dr. Ralph Otis Hood is spending the holidays in Massachusetts.

Miss Mary Sanborn is visiting her sister, Miss Hazel Sanborn, of Portland.

Miss Faye Sanborn of Boston is enjoying a two weeks vacation at her home here.

Wallace Clark, who is working at Woburn, Mass., is spending the week at his home here.

Sidney Howe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Winfield S. Howe, is confined to his home with chicken pox.

Miss Methel Packard has gone to Useppa Island, Florida where she has employment this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Young and son Richard spent the week end at Portland guests of W. H. Young.

Mrs. Fred Wheeler was called to Norway Saturday by the serious illness of her sister, Mrs. George Frost.

Jack Gill, who has spent the past three months at his home at New Bedford, Mass. has returned to Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Patterson spent Sunday in Hanover, guests of Mrs. Patterson's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Merton Holt.

Among the victims of the measles this week are Helen Anderson, Stanley and Edwin Brown, Clayton Crockett, and Stanley Carter.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Brown are spending their Christmas in town Mr. Brown is working in Bosserman's drug store during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bryant will entertain his father, C. C. Bryant, and Mrs. Bryant's mother, Mrs. Ordecia Foster, for Christmas.

Mrs. John Philbrook has gone to South Portland where she will spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Brown, and family. Miss Vira Holt accompanied her and will stay for a time.

Among the students who are spending the holidays at their homes in town are William Wight, Herbert Rowe, Robert Littlehale, Ashby Tibbetts, Mary Thurston, Barbara Herrick, and Kathryn Herrick.

Several of the colored electric bulbs were stolen from the Community Christmas Tree last week soon after it was erected. One of these was afterward returned and it has been suggested that the others be returned in order to avoid trouble.

Bethel Boy Scouts, accompanied by Scoutmaster Herbert H. Bean, hiked to the Peasiee farm, Grover Hill, Tuesday. They prepared and ate their dinner in the open. Fire making tests were passed. Richard Young and Gardiner Smith have recently joined the troop.

There was a good attendance at the Community Christmas Tree on the Common Wednesday afternoon. The tree this year was placed at the lower end of the grounds below the skating rink. It was donated by M. R. Hastings and put in place by Frank Hunt, who also has charge of the skating rink as in previous years.

The members of the Christian Science Society held their Christmas tree at the home of Mrs. Norman Sanborn Tuesday p. m. A most enjoyable Christmas program was presented by the Sunday School children before an interested audience. This was followed by a social hour, when refreshments were served and gifts distributed by Santa Claus. Mrs. Sanborn was assisted by Mrs. Lucia Littlehale.

Sunset Rebekah Lodge held their meeting Monday evening with a good attendance. Following the business session a program was presented as follows: Singing, Christmas [illegible] reading, Mrs. Maude Bean; [illegible] Mrs. Louise Bailey; singing; reading, Miss Rose Harvey; reading, Mrs. Maude Hunt; singing. Presentation of gifts from a decorated tree concluded the program after which refreshments were enjoyed.

There was a large attendance at the Methodist Church Sunday evening when the Christmas play, "They That Sit in Darkness," was presented under the auspices of the Sunday School. The play, which was written by Mrs. Elwin Wilson, wife of a Bethel boy, was of special interest to Bethel people. It was especially appropriate for this season of the year and proved to be a great success. Each member of the cast took his part in a very creditable manner. The play was directed by T. F. Vail.

ELI STEARNS

Eli Stearns, one of Bethel's oldest and highly respected citizens, passed away at his home on Main Street Saturday evening, after a year of ill health.

He was born in Newry, Jan. 24, 1843, the son of Rufus and Lovina Eames Stearns. For many years he made his home in Newry, later coming to Bethel where he bought the home on Main Street where he lived until the time of his death. For years he bought wool and cattle and engaged in the butcher business. When this became too strenuous in later years he confined his trading mostly to apple buying, which work he carried on until a few years ago.

Mr. Stearns was married three times and is survived by his last wife, Mrs. Emma Felt Stearns, also an adopted daughter, Mrs. Ethel Stearns Littlefield, two grandchildren, several nieces, nephews and cousins. An older brother Asa passed away many years ago, and a younger brother Irving died last summer.

Funeral services were held at his late home Monday afternoon, Rev. R. C. Dalzell officiating, and interment was at the Powers cemetery in Newry.

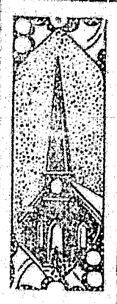
"SHOW SPOTS" OF THE STATE TO BE MARKED

According to information received by Harrie B. Coe, Manager of the Maine Publicity Bureau, from Chief Engineer Lucius D. Barrows of the State Highway Commission, standard markers will indicate the names of lakes, mountains, bridges and other places of interest in Maine. The last Legislature authorized $500 to pay for material and set-up of such markers and it is hoped the Highway Commission can begin work next spring on part of them. The plan is to erect signs at each State bridge on the highway system giving the name of the town in which the bridge is located and the name of the stream. Mr. Coe first broached this plan to identify the most quaint and beautiful show places of the State, as well as those of historic interest, following his return from a trip to Quebec in 1929. He found the plan had been tried out successfully there. The selectmen of the town of Rangeley recently petitioned the State Highway Department to adopt standardized highway markers and the question is now being taken up by the Federation of Women's Clubs.

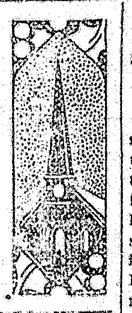
Women's Clubs of the State are being asked to interest themselves in securing standard markers for the various towns of the State. This project which has been [illegible] by the Maine Publicity Bureau recently has brought response from the towns of Rangeley, Limerick and Southwest Harbor. A letter from Andrew Parker, chairman of the board of selectmen of [illegible] [illegible] The sign has been hung in front of the Public Library [illegible] Street. One would be surprised to learn how many people in [illegible] come into our town and ask [illegible] the way to Bar Harbor. We think [illegible] is a fine idea."

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Howe and children of Upton and Maurice Flint of Rangeley are spending the holidays with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Perley Flint.

A Christmas tree and program will be given at the Methodist Church by the junior and primary departments of the Sunday School this Thursday afternoon at 2:30, with the following program: song, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," School; [illegible] "Room for the King," Lillian Leighton, [illegible] ryn Davis, [illegible] Virginia [illegible] Wheeler, pantomime, [illegible] Earth," Margaret Greenleaf, Barbara Hall [illegible] song, "Up on the House Top," [illegible] Bean; recitation, "When [illegible] Comes," Rodney Wescott [illegible] "Last Year's Presents" [illegible] Robert Greenleaf, [illegible] Cora Leighton, Francis Bean, [illegible] Kellogg, Earl Hutchinson; [illegible] Roscoe Keddy, dialogue, "Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus," Dale Thurston and [illegible] Eleanor Vail, song, "The Blessed Day," primary department; recitation, Elmer Bartlett, exercise, "Christmas in Three Countries," Vivian Berry, Marjorie Fish, Elizabeth Lyon; recitation, "Christmas Thoughts," Arline Greenleaf, song, "Christmas Time," junior department; recitation, "The Christmas Compass," Howard Austin, exercise, "Christmas Stars," Raymond Wentzel, Dorothy Fish, Muriel Bean, Muriel Hall, Lewis Kellogg; dialogue, "Good Night," Mary Gibbs, Katherine Kellogg, song, "O Little Town of Bethlehem," School.



Merry Christmas



UNITED STATES POTATOES 376,248,000 BUSHELS

The potato crop for the United States totals 376,248,000 bushels compared with 332,210,000 bushels the revised estimate of the 1930 crop and 329,134,000 bushels the revised estimate of the 1929 crop. The crop now being marketed is 13% greater than the crop harvested last year and 14% larger than that of two years ago. Revised estimates of potato production as now published for the past three seasons are lower than those previously issued due, chiefly, to the adjustments of the estimates for most states to practically the level of production indicated by the census. This revision included both the 1929 and 1930 production while changes between 1930 and 1931 production are due largely to the extent to which yields have been found to be greater than those reported early in November.

For the country as a whole yield of the crop potatoes this year were somewhat larger [illegible] reported [illegible] Placing [illegible] on [illegible] of prevailing December 1 [illegible] early [illegible] and the seasonal average [illegible] the crop this year is valued at [illegible] million dollars, 45% less than the value of the 1930 crop and 62% below that of 1929.

While the 1931 potato crop is only about 1% larger than the crop harvested last year, distribution of the crop shows material differences which will undoubtedly have important effects on prices. In the southern states (Va., N. C., S. C., Ga., Fla., Tenn., Ala., Miss., Ark., La., Okla., Texas, N. M., and Arizona) the 1931 potato crop is 19% larger than the crop harvested last year and 27% greater than the crop harvested two years ago. This increase is due to heavy increases in the acreage planted as yields in 1931 were only moderate and 6% below those of 1929. The crop in the states of deficient production (N. H., Vt., Mass., R. I., Conn., Ohio, Ill., Ind., Iowa, [illegible] Del., Md., W. Va., Ky.) totals [illegible] bushels which [illegible] greater than the crop harvested last year in this group and approximately [illegible] the [illegible] Finds [illegible] in the [illegible] Valley [illegible] crop [illegible] year ago.

[illegible]

[illegible] 1931 [illegible] ounts about [illegible] million bushels, [illegible] million bushels less than the 1930 crop and approximately equal to the [illegible] production. [illegible]

[illegible] conditions in Maine this year were somewhat better than in 1930, particularly in central and northern Aroostook County. Late blight was quite general but was not followed by serious rot damage. The increased production is due to increased acreage which is nearly 15% greater than the acreage harvested in 1929. The yield per acre this year at 260 bushels compares with 250 bushels per acre last year and 292 bushels per acre two years ago.

Cardboard, Blotting Paper, Wrapping Paper, Salesbooks, Citizen Office.

NEWEST MARCH BY DR. WILLIAM ROGERS CHAPMAN WELL RECEIVED

"The New Waldorf-Astria March," composed by Dr. William Rogers Chapman, founder and director of the Maine Festival Chorus, opened the second half of the program in the first concert of the Rubinstein Club held Tuesday evening in the Grand Ballroom of the New Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York in the presence of a distinguished gathering of guests. Mrs. Chapman is president of the Rubinstein Club and Mr. Chapman, who organized it, is the director.

The concert program, which was directed by Mr. Chapman, included the Choral, the International Art Unit Orchestra, Amy Goldsmith, the new coloratura soprano and Ruth Bock and [illegible] soloists. The Choral [illegible] songs including an Ave Maria by Dr. Chapman, and the orchestra played eight delightful selections by Tschaikowsky, [illegible] Schubert [illegible] "[illegible] Waldorf-Astoria March," [illegible] the audience [illegible] upon an [illegible] Mr. Chapman, received great applause. The audience [illegible] Goldsmith [illegible] "Una Voce Poco Fa" from the "Barber of Seville," and "Shadow Song from Dinorah" from Meyerbeer. The program closed with the Hallelujah Chorus from Handel's "Messiah" with orchestra, chorus and the magnificent new organ.

TRENTON A BRILLIANT ACHIEVEMENT

When George Washington marched his 2400 cold, hungry and tired "ragged" continentals through the ice and snow of Christmas night, 1776, crossed the Delaware River with them in a collection of small boats and barges [illegible] a whirlwind attack that would not be denied killed or captured [illegible] British garrison at Trenton [illegible] an exploit [illegible] [illegible] been sufficient [illegible] establish [illegible] a military [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] were determined to be free [illegible] went about the task of winning a victory which would renew the determination with which the war was first undertaken.

The best chance lay at Trenton which was garrisoned by Hessian mercenaries under the command of Colonel Rahl. Having no idea that the foe across the Delaware River would want to fight during the festive Christmas season, the Germans forgot the war and celebrated. Rahl so completely underestimated the mettle of his adversary that he refused even to erect

GOULD UPSETS NORWAY 22-18

Second Team Loses 21-25. Both Games Provide Thrills

Gould Academy, playing to a rather surprised group of fans turned back the highly touted Norway High quintet to the tune of 22-18 on the home floor last Friday evening. The winners had they had any good luck in their shooting, would have piled a rather impressive lead in the third period. It seemed that shot after shot spun round the hoop only to jump out. The home team also missed 11 free throws. "Bud" Browne, with three free throws out of as many attempts was the only one who could connect from the free throw line.

The features of the neat victory were the fine team work on defense as well as offense, the shooting of Stanley, and the remarkably fine ball carrying and "all round" floor play of Browne. Norway's forward line could not fathom the low deceptive dribbling and fine passing of this up and coming Sophomore. Hamlin, Quimby and Whitman, although none were heavy scorers, performed their duties in good style. Their defensive game was especially impressive.

For Norway, Hall with six points led the scoring. Although he did not outshine his teammates in playing. The visitors found the Gould defense just a little too strong for them which seemed to upset them considerably in [illegible] game [illegible]

GOULD A. (22)	G	FT	TP
Browne, rf.	1	3	5
Stanley, lf.	[illegible]	0	12
Green, lf.	0	0	0
Whitman, c.	1	0	2
Quimby, rg.	[illegible]	0	2
Hamlin, lg.	[illegible]	1	1
Totals,	[illegible]	4	22
NORWAY (18)	G	FT	TP
Brown, rf.	1	0	2
Saleepy, rf.	0	0	0
Hall, lf.	[illegible]	0	6
Smith, lf.	0	0	0
Jackson, c.	1	0	2
Goodwin, c.	2	1	5
Frost, rg.	0	1	1
Tervo, lg.	0	2	2
Cordwell, lg.	0	0	0
Totals,	7	4	18

Score by quarters: G. A. 9 15 21 22
N. H. S. 6 13 15 18

Time—four eights. Referee—H. H. Sampson (Bridgton).

The Gould Academy understudies were nosed out in the very last minute of play after leading by five points during the last quarter. The game was marred by continuous fouling but became exciting in the [illegible] period when Gould put on a spurt [illegible] only to have the [illegible] the final minutes [illegible]

Thirty-six fouls were called by Referee Sampson [illegible] and [illegible] on Gould.

G. Smith, for Norway [illegible] the outstanding [illegible] credit. [illegible]

[illegible]

COMMUNITY CHEST GROWING

[illegible]

4-H CLUB NEWS

Happy-Go-Lucky 4-H Club, Bethel

Tuesday [illegible] We played games and had a [illegible]

Secretary's report of Dec. 4 meeting: We voted to have our next meeting at the home of leader, Eugenia Haselton, on Dec. 15. We worked on our laundry [illegible] and drew names for our Christmas tree. The President led the meeting and we gave our Club pledge and [illegible] Mary Clough, Sec.

The next meeting will be held Jan. 5. Kathleen Wight, Reporter.

Pleasant Valley 4-H Club, W. Bethel

The Pleasant Valley 4-H Club of West Bethel met their leader, Hazel Grover, at her home Friday, Dec. 18. The president led the meeting. They talked over the program of work, then they went skating. The next meeting will be with Miss Alice Tyler.

Margaret Bennett, Reporter.

MAINE WOMEN STUDY CHILDREN'S CLOTHING

Twenty-six hundred eighty Maine farm women heard their home demonstration agents discuss "Dressing the Children" during 1931 and [illegible] number went home and made 1298 [illegible] relating to children's clothes.

"What [illegible] [illegible] clothing specialist [illegible] that [illegible]

[illegible] children [illegible] Most of them [illegible] they [illegible] show that [illegible] of them [illegible] Three hundred sixty-nine [illegible] went home and sewed [illegible] quarter inch buttons on their smaller children's dresses and suits, or put the buttonhole where they could be more easily reached, because they believed the habit of putting clothes on youngsters learning to dress themselves. Three hundred thirty-five of them decidedly agreed with the idea that a child's clothes should leave him free and comfortable to develop his muscles through active play. Besides allowing the child greater ease of movement, one woman discovered other good points. She writes, "No more [illegible] of the romper hanging [illegible] [illegible]

Howe Hill Greenwood

[illegible]

BETHEL VILLAGE CORPORATION
FIRE ALARM SIGNALS

1 blast, repeated at one minute intervals, Broad, Mason and Paradise Streets.
2 blasts, repeated at one minute intervals, Mill Hill
3 blasts, repeated at two minute intervals, Church, Park, Upper High, Upper Summer, Elm Streets.
4 blasts, repeated at two minute intervals, Main by Bryant's Store, Spring, Bright and Chapman Streets
5 blasts, repeated at two minute intervals, Lower Main, Mechanic, Clark, Lower High, Lower Summer, Vernon Streets.
6 blasts, repeated at two minute intervals, Station, Mill Yards and Railroad Street
IN CASE OF FIRE—call the telephone operator, tell the operator where the fire is and she will ring in the alarm immediately

Forgotten Heroes

By Elmo Scott Watson

The Defense of Fort Jefferson

[illegible]

[illegible] Fort Jefferson [illegible] Colonel James Pigott, a veteran of Wayne's army and of the expedition into the Illinois country. Appointed by him to command the fort was Captain Christmas and [illegible] Lieutenant Hamtramck. Colonel Pigott himself assumed command of Fort Jefferson and had a force [illegible]

[illegible] to the fort [illegible] There provisions were [illegible] The water supply was failing, [illegible] was cut [illegible] on a food [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] was captured by the Indians [illegible] to tell the true state of affairs to the [illegible], and [illegible] under a flag of truce, [illegible] the commander of the fort. Instead of [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] Colonel Clark [illegible] the proposal to a council of the officers. While the [illegible] were [illegible] the walls [illegible]

[illegible] considerably attacked, but [illegible] which the Louisville [illegible] had brought and which had been [illegible] on the walls caused them [illegible] by the score. But despite this the battle raged fiercely for hours before Colonel Clark gave up the attempt to carry the fort by storm and retired from the fort. The settlers, too, had had enough. They prepared to evacuate the fort, some to go to Louisville and others to their former homes in Kaskaskia, Ill. With their departure the fort fell into ruins and within a short time the wilderness had again reclaimed the spot where Fort Jefferson had stood.

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Her Christmas Guest

By H. Louise Bayberry

"THAT will do, thank you, Elise," and Elizabeth dismissed her maid with a smile. It was her custom each Christmas to entertain whatever guest the Charities sent to her, without Elise's help.

Once it had been a down-and-out ex-missionary well along in years, once a lonely girl from the West, and several times thin little waifs from the tenements. On those latter occasions Elizabeth had been glad of the fragrant tree which always stood in one corner of the apartment, alight with colored bulbs and hung with varied gifts.

There was no one in sight now—wait wasn't that some one just turned the corner?

A moment later the bell rang and if, when she ran down the stairs and answered it, Elizabeth was decidedly taken back at the young man who stood before her, it is probable that he, too, had his moment of surprise as he gazed at the slender vision in a waite dress.

"Miss Lowry, of the Charities sent me—" he began.

"Yes, yes," nodded Elizabeth quickly. She mustn't let him think for an instant she had hesitated. She had absolute confidence in anyone Miss Lowry, head of the board, might send. "Hang your coat and hat on the coat rumer at the head of the stairs. And let me see, your name—"

Still the young man seemed a little uncertain. Then, "Drake Gibson," he said, resolutely and abruptly.

Elizabeth breathed an unconscious sigh of relief, as she preceded him up the carpeted stairs. After the first embarrassing moments she had always found that things went more easily.

Yet it was hard to believe [illegible] the meal which followed [illegible] guest was the most [illegible] with which the Charities [illegible] deal.

He talked interestingly [illegible] the table was at [illegible] the [illegible] of the fire.

[illegible] rather [illegible] part of the entertainment [illegible] in a tell-where-relative [illegible] a tiny [illegible] place in it. [illegible] for a [illegible] of [illegible] so [illegible] and [illegible] to assume will [illegible] kept a silence from an utter [illegible]

[illegible] her winning manner [illegible] suggested that they [illegible] a gift from the tree, and [illegible] when he carefully untied a little [illegible] package.

Then she took down the stocking full of old-fashioned Christmas candy.

"At a proper tree there is always something to take home," she said.

He smiled and accepted it. Then to her horror, drew out his knife and cut the red string at the top.

"Have some," he invited.

"No, that is yes, thank you," she said in confusion, and watched him

cut several pieces rather absent-mindedly. He seemed to be considering something.

Then he pulled out the tiny purse and, with a frown, opened it.

Strangely enough, she saw no sign of the touch or sign of self-consciousness. Rather he seemed almost relieved.

"This means that I must tell you," he said gravely. "And I'm very much ashamed of myself. You see, I've accepted your hospitality under false pretense. I'm well, I'm only Miss Lowry's nephew home from globe-trotting for my paper. She asked me to stop and tell you that the old lady she was going to send to your annual Christmas dinner had not shown up. You made the mistake of thinking I was the one and—oh, I've no proper apology but you know a fool reporter never turns down an experience of any kind." He paused and regarded her so wistfully that Elizabeth's anger melted. After all, it was Christmas time when one should be forgiving.

"I'll promise never, never to do it again," he said with such an air of little boyishness that Elizabeth laughed in spite of herself.

Neither one of them realized then that all their Christmases were to be spent together.

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County News

WEST BETHEL

The children are enjoying their Christmas vacation of two weeks.

There was a chimney fire at Fred Lovejoy's one day last week.

George Gilbert met with a painful accident while skating the other day, cutting his leg on a stick that was sticking up through the ice. Three stitches were required to close the gash. He is getting along fine.

Clyde Hall saw a cow moose and her calf in his field Sunday.

Fred Lovejoy is installing tanks and will handle Texaco gasoline.

Albert Flanders has been working for Carmeno Onofrio hauling Mrs. Mildred Tyler's birch to Bethel.

Mrs. Stephen Westleigh visited her sister, Mrs. Ervin Hutchinson, Sunday.

Joseph Perry and family were in South Paris Sunday evening.

Norman Hall and family of Bethel were Sunday visitors at R. A. Gilbert's.

Clyde Hall resumed work at Stowell's mill Monday after being unable to work for a week. Carlton Saunders worked in his place while he was home.

Bert Bean was in town Sunday.

Hazen Lowell has gone in the woods at Andover with his team.

MASON

Paul Grover, Walter Grover and Frances Morrill are at their homes here for a two week's vacation from Gould Academy.

Eli Grover, who has been ill, is reported better at this writing.

School closed Friday for a week's vacation. All enjoyed a Christmas tree. The following program was presented:

Welcome, John McKenzie
Happy Days, Ernest Grover
Jolly Old St. Nicholas, Dwight Morrill
This for Remembering, Madelyn McKenzie
Old Jim's Christmas Hymn, Ruth Rolfe
Santa Claus, Robert Morrill
Christmas, Harold Rolfe
Old Santa Claus, Betty Rolfe
Christmas in Other Lands, Verna Grover, Laurice Morrill, Howard Grover, Arlene Rolfe.
Christmas, Elizabeth McKenzie
Who Is It? Robert Grover
Hang Up the Baby's Stocking, Howard Grover
Beautiful Thoughts of Christmas song, Elizabeth McKenzie, Madelyn McKenzie, Ruth Rolfe, Betty Rolfe, Verna Grover.

Mrs. Guy Morrill was in Berlin one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Luxton and daughter Barbara of Bethel were Sunday callers at E. H. Morrill's.

Mrs. Lydia Westleigh, who has been ill, is much improved.

Rowe Hill, Greenwood

School here closed Dec. 18 with a Christmas program by the children. Ethel Libby and Colby Ring each had a reading. Everyone joined in singing Jingle Bells.

Miss Maud Falls is home at Locke Mills for a two weeks vacation.

The High School pupils have one week vacation.

Carl Brooks is expected home from Manchester, Mass., where he has had employment the past month.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Morgan and family were callers at Elton Dunham's last Sunday.

Among those having the prevailing epidemic of colds are Elton Dunham, Stella Rice, Newton and Wilmer Bryant.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlan York and children were at Alton York's, Bryant Pond, Sunday.

Ray and Hazel Hanacom spent Sunday with their parents at North Newry. Hazel remained for the week.

Mrs. Colby Ring and family are enjoying a radio given Mrs. Ring for a Christmas present by her brother, Albert Lary.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lary and family of Gorham, N. H., and Mrs. Lovie McCallister of Bryant Pond were callers at Colby Ring's Sunday.

Mrs. Ernest Brooks seems a little more comfortable at present.

There is snow in the fields but the roads are very icy, making it rather dangerous getting around with autos.

SONGO POND

Church services were held at the Town House schoolhouse Sunday and they will hold another service Jan. 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Dunham called on Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Bumpus Friday evening.

Lawrence Kimball had the misfortune of falling in the schoolyard and breaking his collar bone.

Arthur Kimball called on Mr. and Mrs. Guy Morrill Saturday night.

Ralph Kimball is spending a few days in town.

Eva Kimball and Wendall Barker spent the week end with his mother at Stark, N. H.

There will be a Christmas tree at the church at Hunt's Corner the 24th.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gorman and daughter were callers at her fathers, A. F. Kimball's, recently.

NORTH WOODSTOCK

Harland Abbott visited Bernard McMillian Sunday night and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Whitman visited relatives at Norway Sunday.

Lloyd Fuller was at Gorham, N. H., Friday night.

Miss Irvina Russ visited with Mrs. George Abbott on Thursday of last week.

Alphonso Brown is working in the woods for Kirk Stowell.

Ernest Smith and Emil Heikkinen of West Paris were in this vicinity Saturday selling sleds, skis, and games.

Maxine Fuller is visiting her mother, Mrs. Herman Fuller.

Irene Ames spent Monday night with Alice Knights.

George Abbott and son Harland called at D. C. Foster's, East Bethel, Saturday afternoon.

Bernard McMillian returned home with a deer from his hunting trip at Frye.

Elizabeth Cole spent one day last week with her sister, Mrs. Frank Sweetsir.

Several from this community attended Franklin Grange last Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Davis and Mrs. George Davis were at Norway Monday.

A surprise birthday party was given Evelyn Knights on her fourteenth birthday. Cards were enjoyed by all. There were four tables of whist, Everett Cole winning the prize for highest score and Isabel Noyes the booby prize. There was one table of 63. Later in the evening other games were enjoyed. Refreshments were served of ice cream, cake, candy and peanuts. Those present were Bessie, Irma, Hanno and Bernard Cushman, Lester and Linwood Felt, Danny Brown, Bernard McMillian, Harland Abbott, Irene Ames, Elsie Abbott, Everett and Elizabeth Cole, James Knights, Isabel Noyes, and Mr. and Mrs. Francis Cole.

Astrology's Firm Hold

From the Fourteenth to the Sixteenth century, when astrology flourished throughout Europe, there was scarcely a ruler of importance who had not his court astrologer.

TWO-MINUTE SERMON

by REV. GEORGE HENRY

A COLLECT

The Priscilla Club of Plainville prints a collect on the first page of its year book that is worth passing on to the public: "Keep us, O God, from pettiness. Let us be large in thought, in word, in deed. Let us be done with fault finding and leave off self-seeking. May we put away all pretense and meet each other face to face without self pity and without prejudice. May we never be hasty in judgment and always generous. Let us take time for all things that make us grow calm, serene, gentle. Teach us to put in all our better impulses, straightforward and unafraid. Grant that we may realize that it is the little things that create differences; that in the big things of life we are one. And may we strive to touch and know the great common woman's heart of us all. And O Lord God, let us not forget to be kind." Here is a prayer in line with God's will concerning us; a prayer the loving Father will surely answer if offered sincerely and in the name of Christ.

Middle Intervale, Bethel

Edward Stanley and family of Berlin were Sunday guests of Ossian Stanley and family.

Rebecca W. Carter is spending her Christmas vacation with her mother, Mrs. Fannie Carter.

Jack Buckman is cutting cordwood for Ernest Buck.

Ernest Morrisette was home for the week end.

Richard Stevens spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carey Stevens.

Sarah Abbott from Berlin is spending her Christmas vacation with her mother, Mrs. Ella Abbott.

Mable and Stephen Abbott were in Rumford Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Ward were callers at Martha Bartlett's, Sunday.

Our Christmas Gift Record

by Clara Agee Hays

AN OLD, old lady told me something strange one time. "Santa Claus," she said, "is the saint of little children. But there is a grown-ups' saint at Christmas time, too, who stands beside us measuring our gifts and recording them truly. He wouldn't judge by the means we use. For," the old, old lady smiled sweetly, "love makes a gift great at Christmas time."

In a small bungalow at the edge of a western town, a woman named Martha, and her daughter, Ruth, sewed. They and their house were a bit shabby. But that does not matter at Christmas time.

"Dear me!" Martha sighed as she took the last stitches, "I dread Chirstmas every year. It means work and sacrifice. I could have had a good pair of stockings for what I paid for Aunt Caroline's present. But I'd be ashamed to send her less."

"Yes!" Ruth snapped. "She and Anna probably think we're trash anyway. And look at what they give us! Last year Anna sent a bunch of fancy boxes. Imagine what on earth we'd do with them!"

"Anna's selfish, that's what!" Martha nodded with sudden conviction. "She wouldn't work the way you've had to. She'd think it was beneath her."

The idea enraged Ruth. She glared. "I'll show her some day, the inane snooty thing! I'm going to be somebody. And she with her pampered life—!"

Martha nodded. "She's just like her mother. Caroline always had to have her way. Always haughty and proud.

"Anna's Selfish, That's What!" Martha Nodded.

I never could understand why your uncle Lemuel married her."

"Huh!" Ruth wrote their names on the tags. "Me, either! What a life he must lead with those two."

"With them it's always 'me and mine.'"

"And Anna is as crude as she can me. Remember the time—"

But the recording saint went on. He had found the value of their gifts. And he was anxious to see Aunt Caroline and Anna.

They were in a large living room before a merry fire. There were great holly wreaths in the beautiful windows. And from the kitchen came the song of the cook. Suppose she had been the most expensive cook in the city. That has nothing to do with Christmas.

Anna smiled across at her mother. "Almost through with Aunt Martha's present?"

Aunt Caroline nodded. "Yes. And if you've finished Ruth's handkerchiefs, we'll get the package off. I hope Martha likes this."

"She will. Aunt Martha's a dear. Wouldn't it be great if they could spend Christmas with us some time? Anna's eyes glowed.

"Wouldn't it! Too bad you and Ruth can't know each other better. You're so near the same age. Martha writes that Ruth is working hard. She's going to amount to something."

Anna stood to write the names on the tags. "I'll bet she does. Remember when she was a little girl she used to be so ambitious? I'm going to use this pretty tag on her package. Isn't it fun getting things off to them? I wish we could send them something nicer."

Caroline smiled. "Martha is sensitive and I wouldn't hurt her by sending things so much better than she could afford for us. Little things can express our love just as well. I'd be happy with only a card from them if it's the thought, you know—"

Anna smiled and placed each package tenderly into a box.

And the packages passed each other in the mails. By chance they had the same kind of tags:

"Merry Christmas and love from Ruth and Aunt Martha."

"Merry Christmas and love from Anna and Aunt Caroline."

But the grown-ups' Santa made very different notations. For Christmas is a memorial to a Prince whose greatest commandment was "Love one another" and who said "Judge not" and "resist not."

What will our Christmas gift record be? For who can prove that the old, old lady was not right?

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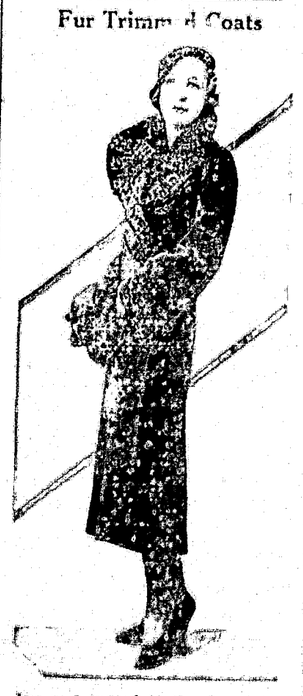
Fur Trimmed Coats



Unusual indeed is the fur trimmed coat that doesn't show some sort of match. This one is [illegible] belline with black [illegible]

Knew the Candy Man

A Baltimore policeman picked up a small girl crying inside for [illegible] other than that her name was Mary. He could learn nothing about her except she was taken to police headquarters. Finally some one thought to ask her where she bought her candy when she gave the name of a candy store owner without hesitation. The owner was easy. Her name was Mary Rose, aged four. She had strayed from her mother in a downtown store.—Capper's Weekly.

Consolation for Fat Folks

Many people in middle age and beyond are the worst and most serious offenders in the fad of reducing. Nature intentionally, with most folks adds weight with years. The layer of fat that becomes most noticeable over the abdomen is furnished for additional warmth and protection to vital organs, and to compensate for the fact that with age the body generates less warmth. A little fat, at forty, is no sign of physical degeneration.—American Magazine.

WEST PARIS

Mrs. Dora Jackson is working in the post office during the Christmas days.

The Friendly Class of the Universalist Bible School met at the home of Mrs. H. R. Tuell Thursday. There were 22 present.

Onward Rebekah Lodge had a Christmas party Tuesday evening.

Granite Chapter, O. E. S., entertained the children of the members Thursday evening.

WILLIAM A. TUELL

The funeral of William A. Tuell of Portland was held from the Universalist church Friday at 1 p. m. Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes officiated and the interment was in West Paris cemetery. Mr. Tuell was taken ill with pneumonia while visiting his brother George Tuell at Woodstock, and later was taken to the Central Maine General Hospital at Lewiston where he passed away. Those from away who attended the funeral of Mr. Tuell were: Mrs. W. A. Tuell and children of Portland, Mrs. Margaret Tuell of Freeport, Mr. Ring of New York, and Mrs. F. I. French and Mrs. Barbara Tuell of Bethel, Mr. [illegible] of Lebanon, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] of South Paris.

NEWRY

A [illegible] of North Bethel [illegible] for H. R. Powers [illegible] the Powers [illegible] Mr. [illegible] of Bethel, [illegible] Barnard at the Powers [illegible] He had been in poor health for a number of years.

Mrs. Bowen and family [illegible] Rockland [illegible] last Monday.

The school was closed for the usual Christmas vacation and the teachers are taking the time of their absence [illegible]

Charles Carey has been confined to the house with a bad cold a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brown and son were callers at Walter Powers' last Monday evening.

What "Off" Means

When the average golfer says he's off his game he means the best game he ever shot.—Arkansas Gazette.

Deep Sea

Right up to the middle of the last century scientists spoke of the deep sea as being devoid of life.

GREENWOOD CITY

Mr. [illegible] in Lewiston on Saturday.

School closed Friday with a Christmas tree and afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morran and daughter [illegible] spent Monday with relatives in West Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Morran, Fay Morran, Maynard Chase and Louise [illegible] were in Portland Saturday.

[illegible]

[illegible] A large crowd [illegible] attended. [illegible]

Mr. [illegible] was in Lewiston [illegible]

Good Number of Ears

[illegible] Stories for it touches simultaneously the heart, the heart and the senses.—Voltaire.

NORTH PARIS

Myron Herrick has moved his family to West Paris for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ginley of Bangor are visiting in town. Mr. and Mrs. George McGinn.

Howard Ellis and [illegible] at Ginley's mill in West Paris.

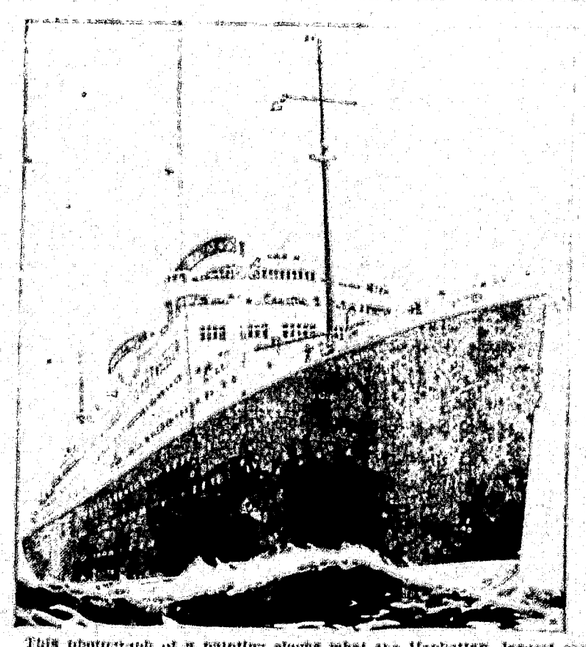
Mrs. Martha Morton and Mrs. Alice Morton have moved to Portland for the winter.

Forestine [illegible] in the school at Gorham [illegible] Friday, and Mr. [illegible] were callers at W. H. Brown's.

Mrs. Nina [illegible] of Norway spent Monday [illegible] Vesta Pike.

Send the Citizen to your friends in 1932. Home news will be welcome.

Largest Vessel Ever Built in America



This photograph of a painting shows what the Manhattan, largest merchant vessel ever built in the United States, will look like when it is completed. It was launched the other day at Camden, N. J., and will enter the transatlantic service of the United States lines next June. The Manhattan is of 30,000 gross registered tons, will carry about [illegible] passengers and will have a cruising speed of more than twenty knots. Capt. George Fried, hero of several ocean rescues, will be her commander.

HOW

ARBITRARY DIVISION OF EUROPE AND ASIA CAME.—The conception that the grand land mass of Eurasia consists of two separate divisions originated among the people of Assyrians who dwelt east of the Mediterranean. It was natural that they should have considered Europe and Asia as two continents because civilization in both first grew up in those parts where they are separated by large bodies of water. The Assyrians called Greece "Irib" or "Ireb" meaning west or sunset, to distinguish it from Asia Minor, which they called "Assu," signifying east or sunrise. "Irib" was corrupted by westerners into "Europe" while "Asia" is derived from "Assu." Later these names were extended, the one from Greece to all Europe, the other from Asia Minor to all Asia. The Ural River, for the sake of convenience, is now regarded as the boundary between Asia and Europe. "Continent," which is derived from Latin "continere," meaning to continue, has no very clearly defined meaning when applied to a land mass. In a general sense it means a very large continuous body of land, differing from an island or peninsula not merely in size but also in structure. Seven grand land divisions are now regarded as continents—Europe, Asia, Africa, South America, North America, Australia and Antarctica. Greenland, being much smaller than the others, is frequently referred to as an island continent, since Europe and Asia consist [illegible] land masses many [illegible]

How French Architect Views Homes of Future

An [illegible] for [illegible] been [illegible] Mr. [illegible] who ranks [illegible] of the [illegible] of modern [illegible] architects.

Realizing [illegible] the tube is one of the strongest, most enduring and economical forms [illegible] material, in [illegible] Mr. [illegible] proposes to build dwellings with tubes which are made of a mixture of asbestos and cement.

Around the foundations of the house are arranged a number of plugs placed close together. Over each is fitted one of the vertical tubes and an injection of cement joins the two together.

These buildings are fireproof and, it is claimed, have the advantage of being cool in summer and warm in winter, owing to the "overcoat" of air within the tubes which surrounds them.

Mr. Sauvage found that a hundred pounds of any material, when made into a tube, and a tube both of the same [illegible] the tube will support [illegible] greater weight without [illegible] Philadelphia Record.

How "Gold Standard" Came

[illegible]

How Pioneers Got [illegible]

[illegible]

How Chandelier Came

[illegible] Mary Queen of Scots [illegible] were today innovations in King [illegible] of Dutch origin, the most [illegible] to the fact that the King [illegible] Dutch architecture over with blue.

How Florin Got Name

Florin, the official name for the English two-shilling piece, is a corruption of Florence, where coins of about the same value were first made.

How Humidity Is Measured

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A good deal is being said all over the country about taxes being high, and taxes are high. One thing that makes high taxes is the employment of people to do unnecessary work by a government, a state, county or town. Nearly every legislature that meets creates new jobs that must be paid out of tax money. Many of them do not add to the efficiency of the government, but do increase the tax burden. It does look good to complain about taxes and some unnecessary jobs are certainly being created.

The comfort of low taxes is felt the world over. [illegible] "last minute" for the payment of taxes were the last months in March, voters could be less lenient in their appropriations.

There is this to say in favor of the Russian form of government: whenever any person is apprehended misusing public funds or attempting to graft he is taken out behind the garage and promptly shot. There is no long drawn out investigation and expensive delay. Punishment is swift and sure. If Russia can keep this up, she bids fair to become the world's most efficient government. There isn't another government in the world where losses from this source are not enormous.

Here's hoping an individual who, when a newspaper moves to town to make his home, proceeds to give him the history of every citizen of the community, with special emphasis on any goes that may not have been according to the rules of convention, but which everyone else has forgotten or forgiven.

The [illegible] of Franklin Kansas county demanded a reduction in teachers' salaries and the salaries of county officers. An evidence that all taxes are not in vain a reduction in taxation was effected amounting to three cents on each $100.

WHY WORRY ABOUT IT?

If you are successful or you are not successful. If you are successful there is nothing to worry about. If you are not successful there are only two things to worry about. Your health is either good or you are sick. If your health is good there is nothing to worry about. If you are sick there are two things to worry about. You are either going to get well or you are going to die. If you are going to get well, there is nothing to worry about. If you are going to die, there are only two things to worry about. You are either going to heaven or you are not going to heaven. If you are going to heaven, there is nothing to worry about. If you are going to the other place, you will be so busy shaking hands with old friends and acquaintances that you won't have anything to worry about.

—The Why Worry. Red Lion (Pa.) Sun.

Effect of Sunspots

[illegible] that [illegible] earth to the fact [illegible] radio waves [illegible] Wireless [illegible] have the effect [illegible] or in the [illegible] the earth [illegible] the sun.

[illegible] radio experts, the study of sunspots is very complicated. In one way or another, the whole world of life seems to be affected by sunspots. Different climates in different zones all have their ups and downs, which apparently run in cycles.—Los Angeles Times.

The Really Happy

There is only one kind of happiness worth while or possible—that which comes by growth. This can be achieved by any human being. Some have the opinion that people who merely vegetate are truly happy. Such people are pictured as being free from the hurry and hustle of the more complex civilization. It may be a pleasing picture, but it is not true. The men who achieve real happiness are those who grow, feeding on the best, exercising their powers, and pushing upward against the opposing forces.—Exchange.

HOW

PHILADELPHIA "LIMBS OF THE LAW" GOT RATING.—The phrase, "Philadelphia lawyer" in the sense of a shrewd long-headed lawyer, originated at a time when the Philadelphia bar had a wide reputation for learning, ability and astuteness. "Smart as a Philadelphia lawyer," "It would take a Philadelphia lawyer to figure it out," "It would puzzle a Philadelphia lawyer" and similar phrases were common on both sides of the Atlantic more than a century ago. The earliest example of the phrase quoted in "An American Glossary" by Richard Thornton, who was himself a member of the Philadelphia bar, is from "The Balance" under date of November 15, 1803, and is as follows: "It would (to use a Yankee phrase) puzzle a dozen Philadelphia lawyers to unriddle the conduct of the Democrats." M. Schele De Vere, writing in 1871, declared: "It is said that early in the history of the Republic, British sailors learnt to appreciate the shrewdness of members of the Philadelphia bar in helping them out of their difficulties, and that through their reports the reputation of these gentlemen spread far and wide." There is ample evidence to prove that members of the Quaker City bar acquired a wide reputation for ability, sagacity and professional skill early in the Nineteenth century. Some writers think the phrase came from the defense of Peter Zenger, an theory echoed by Andrew Hamilton, a great Philadelphia lawyer, in 1735.

How Height of Clouds Is Definitely Found

In making weather observations for the information of aircraft pilots, it is important to determine the height of low-lying clouds. To accomplish this with readiness and accuracy, a spotlight projector set at an angle of 63 degrees and a fraction above the horizon is used to throw a bright patch of light on the clouds.

At a distance of 300 feet from the projector, and in the direction toward which the light is thrown is a brass quadrant with a movable arm which is pointed at the spot of light on the clouds. It is then necessary merely to note the mark on the graduated arc of the quadrant where the end of the arm rests, in order to determine the height of the clouds. Louisville Courier-Journal's Service Magazine.

How to Keep Birds' Eggs

Collectors of birds' eggs [illegible] them by drilling a very [illegible] in the shell and, with a [illegible] syringe, forcing out the contents. When the eggs have been [illegible] they are preserved either [illegible], in a covered trays in [illegible] or in the original nests [illegible] they are found. In the first method [illegible] cardboard boxes, heavy enough to protect the eggs, are provided, [illegible] with cotton. Then the glass top is sealed on with adhesive tape, after a few grains of some insecticide have been sprinkled inside to kill moths, mites and insects of several kinds that attack birds' eggs and skins.

How Sponges Are "Cured"

To cure sponges they are first spread about the deck of the vessel on which they are taken in their natural upright position, so that they will die and while decomposing allow the softened animal matter to run off freely. When they have been several days in this position they are taken to the shore, and thrown into the water in little pens called "krauls" (corrals), where the remaining substance is soaked and squeezed out, the sponges being removed at intervals and beaten with a stick to facilitate the process.

How Mail Reaches Alaska

All mails for Alaska are dispatched from Seattle, Wash. During the season of navigation all classes of mail are forwarded. During the winter season (from about October 1 to May 1), on account of the difficulty of transportation to remote settlements, the dispatch of mail for Alaska, except for offices on the southern coast and those located along the railroads and inland waterways, is limited. Valuable parcels can be taken by express to Nome and other points at all times of the year via airplane from Fairbanks. Anchorage or Seward.

How "Poker" Got to America

Poker is believed to be an adaptation of the Persian card game known as As Nas. It entered the United States by way of New Orleans, where it was called "poque" or "poke" because it somewhat resembled the French game of poque. The English-speaking people at first mispronounced the French word and called it "po kay," which in time was corrupted into "poker."

How to Resilver Mirror

Make first solution by boiling 8 ounces distilled water and adding 12 grains each of silver nitrate and Rochelle salts; allow to boil six or seven minutes, then cool and filter. Make iron sulphate to precipitate the iron oxide as iron soap, then mixing this precipitate with linseed oil to form a waterproofing coating.

ODD THINGS AND NEW—By Lame Bode

(WNU Service.)

Wax Models of British Rulers Going to Decay

Probably the most interesting "waxwork" in the world, and possibly also the oldest, are threatened by decay. They represent the great kings and queens of England and, unknown to four out of five Londoners, are in Westminster abbey. They are more valuable, more historically accurate and more lifelike than any waxwork models ever exhibited in the galleries of Mme. Tussaud.

These figures, which are hundreds of years old, provide fascinating likenesses of England's sovereigns from the time of Edward III to the beginning of the Eighteenth century. Most of the effigies were modeled from life and carried in royal funeral processions. Nearly every figure is dressed in clothes which were actually worn by the royal personages depicted.

The older figures, which are most rapidly disintegrating, are made of wood, plaster or boiled hides, the more recent ones of wax. The latter, which include Queen Elizabeth, Charles II, William and Mary and Queen Anne, are housed in the loft of the Islip chapel, near the north transept of the abbey.

The wax portions of these figures are in a fairly good state of preservation but it is doubtful whether the clothes will hold together much longer.

Anomalous

The elderly mountaineer was hearing a radio for the first time. He expressed great surprise when a bary tone solo issued from the loudspeaker but when this was followed by the clear tones of a soprano he seemed petrified with astonishment. After the instrument was switched off, he turned dazedly to the owner. "Say!" he exclaimed. "What's thet thar critter anyhow—male or feemale?"

Parents of Presidents

The parents of Washington and Adams were of English descent; those of Jefferson, Welsh; those of Madison Monroe and J. Q. Adams, English; those of Jackson, Scotch-Irish; of Van Buren, Dutch; of Harrison and Tyler, English; of Polk, Scotch-Irish; of Taylor, Fillmore and Pierce, English; of Buchanan, Irish; of Lincoln, Johnson and Grant, English; of Hayes, Scotch; of Garfield, English, though his mother was of Huguenot descent; of Arthur, Scotch-Irish; of Cleveland and Benjamin Harrison, English; of McKinley, Scotch-Irish; of Roosevelt, Dutch; of Taft, English; of Wilson, Scotch-Irish; of Harding and Coolidge, English; of Hoover, Swiss.

Odorless Skunks

The much maligned polecat, mephitis mephitis, to give it a scientific name, is on the way to losing its one claim to notoriety. Thanks to intensive breeding experiments, the odorless skunk has come to stay. Not only has careful breeding supplemented by secretary surgery removed the objectionable feature of close companionship with the wood "pussy," but the animals also are stripeless. Although experiments are not fully concluded, it is felt that these hygienic polecats have reached a stage of development where they may be offered to the world's fur market.

Two Educations

There are two sorts of education. There is the education where you get your knowledge and the education, which is equally important, of friction with other human beings, and that you cannot get as long as you sit by yourself in your lodgings. You only get it through rubbing your brains with those of other people. You get the corners knocked off, you learn toleration, and you emerge an infinitely better fellow, able to get at work at once amongst your fellow men. Work will be infinitely better done if you have gone through that process of friction and massage with other human minds and men.—Stanley Baldwin.

SUNDAY RIVER

Miss Dorothy Foster came home from Gould Academy for the Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stanhope of Rumford were visitors at C. B. Foster's Thursday evening.

Harry Williamson and Lyman Lane of Upton were in town last week.

Miss Laura Newton is in Portland for a week's vacation.

Leslie Kendall and Anson Kendall from Massachusetts spent last week end in town.

Joe Spinney was home over the week end.

Mrs. Roger Foster and daughter Helen Mary spent Tuesday in Bethel.

Frances, Ernestine and Mary Bean are home for a two weeks vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Powers are enjoying their new Atwater Kent Radio.

Mr. and Mrs. James Reynolds were dinner guests at J. H. Crosby's Tuesday.

Joe Baker Jr., is working at R. L. Foster's.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Foster of New York were visitors at C. B. and R. L. Foster's Saturday. Isobel Foster returned home with them.

Lyman Wheeler of Bethel was in town Monday after a load of boards.

Rielly Reynolds returned home from Gould Academy Saturday.

Miss Lottie Nowlin has gone to Farmington to work.

School closed Friday for a week's vacation. No students were tardy during the term. Irene Foster and Royal Reynolds were neither tardy nor absent. A Christmas entertainment was held at the school house Friday evening with several visitors present. The program was as follows:

Song, Jingle Bells, School
Christmas Exercise, Royal Reynolds, Hilda and Albert Heino
Useful Things and Clothes, Carl Heino
Song, Where Are You Going? School
Naming the Christmas Dolly, Celia Heino
Christmas Day, Winnifred Bean
Song, Should Old Saint Nick be Forgot, School
Proved at Last, Lina Heino
I'se Gwine to Tell Old Santa, Irene Foster and Hilda Heino
The Original Play, "The Smith Family's Christmas"
Mrs. Smith, Irene Foster
Polly Smith, Lina Heino
Jill Smith, Ina Bean
Mrs. Raymond, Winnifred Bean
Alice Raymond, Pauline Bean
Santa Claus, Carl Heino
A Christmas Dilemma, Pauline Bean
Santa on the Telephone, Ina Bean

Will and Victor Heino were home over the week end from Red Rock Basins.

Mr. and Mrs. James Reynolds were in Newry Sunday.

Mrs. John nowlin and family were taken out of quarantine for scarlet fever Sunday.

Oscar Knowles of Temple was in town Sunday.

Henry Sanderson, the meat man from Waterford, was in town Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chase and family of Rumford Point were callers at R. L. Foster's Saturday evening.

Several from here attended the basketball game at Bethel Friday evening.

Possibly Some Truth in Tales of Vampires

There has come out of Trinidad a tale that would have stirred Bram Stoker, says the New York Times. Men and cattle had been dying from some mysterious disease. It was finally traced, according to the dispatches, to the bites of mad vampire bats. What makes the story more uncanny, if true, is that the victim does not feel the bite, "the bat settling on his toes and fanning its wings to produce local anaesthesia."

Peter Martyr, writing soon after the conquest of South America, declared that in the isthmus of Darien there were bats which sucked the blood of men and cattle when asleep and sometimes killed them. When in Central America, the author of the article in the old Encyclopedia Britannica, who quotes this early authority, "had many accounts given him as to the attacks of these vampires." Most of them were said to prefer gray horses.

For a long time no naturalist ever caught a blood-sucking bat in the act, and it was not until Charles Darwin himself did so that doubts were dispelled. He was bivouacking late one night near Coquimbo, in Chile, when his servant, going to see what was the matter with a restive horse, "suddenly put his hand on the beast's withers, and secured the vampire."

State Birds

While a few states have adopted certain birds officially, the following birds are identified with particular states: Alabama, flicker; California, California quail; District of Columbia, wood thrush; Florida, mockingbird; Georgia, brown thrasher; Illinois, cardinal; Kansas, Western meadowlark; Kentucky, cardinal; Louisiana, brown pelican; Maine, chickadee; Maryland, Baltimore oriole; Michigan, robin; Missouri, bluebird; Nebraska, Western meadowlark; Oregon, Western meadowlark; Oregon, Western meadowlark; Texas, mockingbird; Virginia, robin; Wisconsin, robin, and Wyoming, Western meadowlark.

Some of the varied duties of workers in the Maine Publicity Bureau may be gleaned from the fact that two letters in one morning mail brought unusual requests. One writer wanted to find a job in a slaughter house and another sought information regarding a teacher of contract bridge who would come to his town and give lessons. On the same day the Bureau found employment for a laundry worker answered two letters from Africa regarding summer vacations in Maine and answered five letters regarding winter sports in the State.

You and I

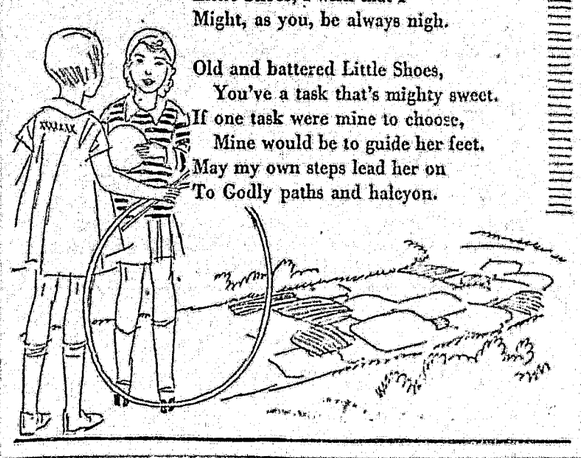
By CHARLES S. KINNISON

LITTLE SHOES

Guide her feet among the flowers,
Little Shoes, I ask of you.
Lead her on to happy hours,
As the world she journeys through;
Guide her little baby feet
Into girlhood, pure and sweet.

When there's right and wrong to choose,
And there's danger stalking near,
Lead her safely, Little Shoes,
Into pathways clean and clear.
Little Shoes, I wish that I
Might, as you, be always nigh.

Old and battered Little Shoes,
You've a task that's mighty sweet.
If one task were mine to choose,
Mine would be to guide her feet.
May my own steps lead her on
To Godly paths and halcyon.



Uncover "Main Street" of Ancient Olynthus

Main street, Olynthus, Greece, which has lain in ruins ever since 348 B. C., has been excavated by a Johns Hopkins university expedition, led by Dr. David M. Robinson, professor of archeology.

An entire city block, with 27 houses, was uncovered by the expedition, and the fine street running north was given the name "Main street."

"In the houses we found floors of beautiful pebble mosaics, in red, purple, blue and white," said Doctor Robinson, describing the discoveries. These are the oldest mosaic floors seen. Some have famous myths beautifully pictured in the pebbles. One floor shows Bellerophon and his winged horse encountering the mythical beast, the Chimera, which had a lion's head, goat's middle and the tail of a snake.

In his previous expedition of 1928, in which the ruins of Olynthus were first found and identified, Doctor Robinson was unable to locate the cemetery. This time he found two cemeteries.

The houses that have been uncovered date from about 400 B. C., Doctor Robinson concludes. Olynthus was a large city, having a population of some 65,000, judging from its ruins. It was destroyed suddenly and violently by Philip of Macedon, the father of Alexander the Great, in 348 B. C.

Child of Earlier Days Shielded From the Sun

George Washington no doubt would look with great astonishment at the system of raising children of this generation of Americans. He took a keen interest in the health and health-training of his stepchildren and stepgrandchildren, yet the sun baths which are part of the daily regime of a well brought-up child of today, whether of the family of the laborer or the millionaire, would have caused the Father of His Country to blink his eyes, no doubt.

George Washington, who took a great interest in his little stepdaughter, ordered for "Miss Custis," six years old, from abroad, a supply of children's masks in order to preserve her complexion from the rays of the sun. Dolly Madison, wife of President Madison, as the little Quaker girl, Dolly Payne, had a faithful mother with enough of the world's vanity in her Quaker mind to sew a sunbonnet on the tiny girl's head every morning, put long gloves on her arms and hands and make her wear a mask to keep every ray of sunlight from her face. How the mothers of today, with their modern ideas would be horrified. If asked to perform this daily beauty rite for their young ones.—Washington Post.

NOTICE

The subscribers hereby give notice that they have been duly appointed executors of the estate of

Isaac H. Wight, late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.

ANGIE P. WIGHT, Bethel, Me.
VIVIAN A. WIGHT, Bethel, Me.
Dec. 15th, 1931. 39p

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the estates hereinafter named:

At a Probate Court, held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ORDERED:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of January, A. D. 1932, at 9 of the clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Jennie M. Andrews, late of Woodstock, deceased; First Account presented for allowance by Mabel A. Mann, administratrix.

Witness; Henry H. Hastings, Judge of said Court at Paris, this 15th day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one.

39p ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

PROBATE NOTICE

To all persons interested in either of the estates hereinafter named: At a Court of Probate held at Auburn, within and for the County of Androscoggin, on the fifteenth day of December in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty-one, by adjournment from day to day from the second Tuesday of said December, the following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby ordered, That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the OXFORD COUNTY CITIZEN printed at Bethel in the County of Oxford, that they may appear at a Court of Probate, to be held at said Auburn, on the second Tuesday of January next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon, and object if they see cause.

FRED J. HAPGOOD of Bethel. First Account presented by Henry H. Hastings, guardian.

B. L. BERMAN, Judge of Probate.
A true copy. Attest:
FRED O. WATSON, Register.
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Send the Citizen to your friends in 1932. Home news will be welcome.

COLLECTOR'S NOTICE OF SALE

Unpaid taxes on land situated in the Town of Upton in the County of Oxford, for the year 1931.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Upton for the year 1931, committed to me for collection for said town on the 30th day of April, 1931, remains unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes, interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold at public auction at Grange Hall in said town, (the same being the place where the last preceding annual town meeting of said town was held) on the first Monday in February, 1932, at nine o'clock, a. m.

Names of Owners	Description of Real Estate	Tax
L. A. West Estate,	Schoolhouse lot, 100 a., value $325,	$10.08
	S. E. Morse lot, 100 a., value $700,	21.70
	Blodgett lot, 90 a., value $1000,	31.00
	J. P. West lot, 100 a., value $300,	9.30
	W. L. Faller lot, 35 a., value $175,	5.43
	Gore lot, 47 a., value $140,	4.34
		$81.85
	Total,	20.15
P. J. West,	Godwin Farm, 140 a., value $650,	1.55
Leon Lapham,	Camp, East Hill, value $50,	

Dec. 18, 1931. ENOCH ABBOTT, Collector of Taxes for the Town of Upton for the year 1931.

STATE OF MAINE
COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF RESIDENT OWNERS

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1931.

The following list of taxes on real estate of resident owners in the Town of Bethel, aforesaid, for the year 1931, committed to me for collection for said Town of the 9th day of May, 1931, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Odeon Hall, in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1932, at nine o'clock, A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Tax and Charges
John C. Anderson,	Homestead farm,	
	Robinson land,	$19.60
Chas. D. Bean,	Homestead on Railroad St.,	74.50
Bethel Grange,	Hall and lot,	59.80
Margery Billings	Homestead farm,	15.70
E. A. Billings,	Mabel Bartlett farm,	50.00
Herbert O. Blake,	Homestead farm,	
	Land bounded East by Co. road, So. and West by Swan,	
	Part Cummings farm,	123.50
Frank E. Brooks,	Homestead farm,	
	West 1-2 of L. 12, R. 3, 50 acres,	
	Hodgdon lot, 13, R. 3, 50 acres,	
	Walker meadow,	
	L. W. Russell pasture,	
	Egypt lot,	
	Part Cushman farm,	165.15
Geo. E. Brooks,	Homestead farm,	4.68
Eloise M. Buck,	Joe George homestead farm,	35.20
B. C. Burbank,	Homestead farm,	
	Part Bond island,	113.70
Leo Bubier,	1-2 Lot 29, Range 2,	5.90
Samuel Badger,	Homestead farm,	15.70
Shirley Chase,	Homestead farm,	64.70
Edgar Coolidge,	Homestead farm,	50.00
Robert Clough,	Homestead farm,	
	Songo camp,	
	Land of Geo. Hapgood,	57.35
Alfred Curtis,	Homestead farm,	
	Part A. R. Merrill land,	
	Estes Intervale,	74.50
Archie Cole,	Land and buildings of Elizabeth Griffin,	20.60
Ralph Day,	Part of Swan homestead farm,	30.40
"Heirs of" Mary Dunham,	Homestead farm,	
	Mills meadow,	30.40
Frank Donahue,	Maple Inn and lot,	251.45
Mrs. Grace Estes,	Homestead, Elm St.,	
	So. part of Wheeler land,	
	Lot and barn,	
	1-2 of Tyler intervale,	39.70
Walter G. Emery,	Homestead farm,	74.50
Elliott I. Estes,	Homestead farm,	
	D. C. Estes farm,	
	D. C. Estes land,	59.80
"Heirs of" Daniel C. Estes,	1-2 of Estes farm,	13.25
"Heirs of" Althea Farwell,	Homestead, So. Bethel,	10.80
Irwin D. Farrar,	House, E. Bethel,	4.68
Estate of W. B. Grover,	Homestead farm,	
	Orchard, Grover Hill,	37.30
Clyde Hall,	Homestead farm,	
	1-2 of Island No. 3,	69.60
Henry Hall,	Brooks homestead,	35.30
George Hapgood,	Homestead farm,	123.50
Gertie Hapgood,	Homestead farm,	50.00
Alfred Hobbs,	Homestead farm,	30.40
Arthur Jackson,	Smith homestead,	50.00
Niles Kellogg,	Swan homestead,	20.40
"Heirs of" Warner Kendall,	Wood lot, 29, Range 1,	
	House, West Bethel,	30.40
Roy Lane,	Homestead farm,	25.50
Harry Lyon	Homestead, Main St.,	
	Homestead farm,	128.20
Everett Mason	Homestead farm,	15.70
Herman Mason,	Homestead farm,	
	Swift Intervale,	
	Part Bond Island,	
	Part Kilgore lot,	154.80
Durwood Mason,	Land between Co. road and R. R.,	4.68
Joel Merrill,	House on land of A. R. Merrill	5.00
Merrill Adams Co.,	Mill and land West Bethel,	
	Land of H. O. Reed,	397.90
Harry Newell,	Homestead,	12.25
B. Newton,	Mitchell lot and hall,	
	Field of F. B. [illegible],	54.90
George Osgood,	Homestead farm,	45.10
Ola Olson,	Ryan Homestead farm,	64.70
Chas. H. Reed,	Homestead farm,	
	Cole lot,	
	Wood lot,	59.73
"Heirs of" A. B. Sanborn,	Homestead farm,	197.04
Chas. Simpson,	D. P. Brown farm,	30.40
Albert Skillings,	Homestead farm,	
	Part of Shaw land,	99.60
Louis Spinney,	Homestead, Swan's Corner,	15.70
O. R. Stanley,	Homestead farm,	123.50
Elmer J. Stearns,	Homestead farm,	
	Cedar lot,	
	Barker pasture,	
	Mason Intervale,	66.17
	Eagle homestead,	84.30
Russell Swan,	Homestead farm,	
"Heirs of" Lydia Stevens,	Homestead farm,	
	Bryant farm,	
	No. corner lot 7, R. 2,	157.80
Frank E. Stevens,	D. R. Bryant place,	3.45
Vinton C. Tibbetts,	O. R. Chandler meadow,	
	Cummings stand,	16.93
	Part Russell field,	35.30
Ben S. Tyler,	Homestead farm,	50.00
Fred C. Verrill,	Homestead farm,	20.60
Doris Walker,	Homestead farm,	30.40
Mrs. Agnes Walker,	Homestead, So. Bethel,	
Fred Wheeler,	Homestead farm,	
	D. Grover meadow,	
	Land bounded So. by Bennett, E. by Wheeler,	62.99
Clyde Whitman,	Lyon meadow,	
	Homestead farm,	42.65
	Meadow part of 32-9-9,	18.15
Guy Willey,	Homestead,	25.50
L. E. Winslow,	Homestead farm,	32.45
Thos. E. Westleigh,	Homestead farm,	

Dec 16, 1931. LESLIE E. DAVIS, Collector of Taxes, Town of Bethel.

STATE OF MAINE
COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Mason, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1931.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non resident owners in the Town of Mason, aforesaid, for the year 1931, committed to me for collection for said town on the 16th day of June, 1931, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold at public auction at Town House in said town, on the first Monday of February, 1932, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Tax
Fred Lovejoy,	Lot 6, range 2, 50 acres,	
	Lot 7, range 2, 50 acres,	
	Lot 7, range 3, 100 acres,	$20.35
	Lot 1, range 6, 18 acres,	3.90
Nat Bean,	Lot 7, range 1, 100 acres,	
Harry Isaacson,	Lot 8, range 1, 100 acres,	
	Lot 9, range 1, 30 acres,	
	Lot 1, range 1, 30 acres,	97.50

Dec. 15, 1931. VIOLA G. MORRILL, Collector of Taxes of the Town of Mason

Shaking Man's Faith in Self

It is easy—terribly easy—to shake a man's faith in himself. To take advantage of that to break a man's spirit is devil's work.—G. B. Shaw.

London Wins Again

Science finds that New York traffic noises are 10 per cent louder than those in London.—Collier's Weekly.

Insatiate Jealousy

Jealousy is never satisfied with anything short of an omniscience that would detect the subtlest fold of the heart.—George Eliot.

Rotten Business

There are times when business is rotten because it's a rotten business.—New York American.

STATE OF MAINE
COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1931.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Bethel, aforesaid, for the year 1931, committed to me for collection for said Town of the 9th day of May, 1931, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Odeon Hall, in said Town, on the first Monday in February, 1932, at nine o'clock, A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Tax and Charges
Nathaniel Bean,	1-2 of 1-2 of meadow, Lot 5, R. 5,	$6.90
Harry Day,	Fifield homestead farm,	16.70
Chas. P. Day,	Homestead farm,	35.30
Fogg Brothers,	Holt farm, Holt Hill,	
	L. A. Hall timber lot,	
	I. Wilson pine lot,	
	Saunders lot, W 1-2 Lot 30, R. 9,	
	W. C. Chapman land,	
	L. P. Holt lot,	389.10
John Goodall,	Part Sweet farm,	41.20
Harold S. Hutchins,	Homestead farm,	62.25
Wallace Kilgore,	No. E. corner Lot 9, R. 3,	
	Frye land of E. Cross,	
	Coburn meadow,	26.50
Myron Morrill,	Land of D. W. Cushing,	6.90
"Heirs of" Joseph Oliver,	Homestead farm,	51.00
Perley Ralmey,	Part E. Cross land and camp,	10.09
John Titus,	W. Swan homestead,	31.40
Est. of R. J. Virgin,	Part of Lot 16, R. 4,	
	Ripley land,	
	So. E. corner 15 R. 4,	
	D. W. Chandler land,	
	Morse land,	
	Undivided 1-2 of 1-2 of 14, Range 1,	
	O. B. Chandler farm,	
	So. 1-2 of Lot 11, R. 5,	
	Russell land,	
	Harris place,	
	F. J. Russell land,	683.00

Dec. 16, 1931. LESLIE E. DAVIS, Collector of Taxes, Town of Bethel.

STATE OF MAINE
COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Gilead, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1931.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Gilead, aforesaid, for the year 1931, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 15th day of June, 1931, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Town Hall in said town, on the first Monday in February, 1932, at nine o'clock A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Tax
Fogg Brothers,	[illegible] land bounded on the north by town line, on the east by G. A. Chapman, on the south by Androscoggin river, and on the west by A. J. Blake better known as the J. V. Burnham farm. Ranges 14 and 15. No. acres [illegible]. Value land $4,000. Value buildings, [illegible].	
	A [illegible] parcel of land bought of W. C. Chapman, bounded on the north by the public [illegible], on the east by the cemetery lot, on [illegible] by G. A. Chapman, and on the [illegible] and formerly of J. V. Burnham. No. of range, 16. No. of acres, 14. Value of land $[illegible]. Total value of real estate, $[illegible]	$247.25

Dec. 15th, 1931 F. A. WIGHT, Collector of Taxes of the Town of Gilead.

STATE OF MAINE
COLLECTOR'S NOTICE OF SALE OF LANDS OF RESIDENT OWNERS

Unpaid taxes on lands [illegible] the Town of Gilead, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1931.

The following list of [illegible] of resident owners in the Town of Gilead, aforesaid, [illegible] committed to me for collection for said Town on the 15th [illegible] unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said [illegible] not previously paid, so much of the real [illegible] to pay the amount due therefor, including interest [illegible] will be sold without further notice at public auction at Town [illegible] on the first Monday in February, 1932, at nine o'clock.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Tax
A. J. Blake, so called,	[illegible] line on east [illegible] south by Androscoggin river [illegible] Blake estate, on [illegible] by J. A. [illegible] No. of range, [illegible] Value of land. [illegible] Value of buildings $1000.	
	[illegible] in Androscoggin River. No. of acres, [illegible] Value of land. $[illegible]	
	[illegible] in Androscoggin River. No. of acres [illegible] Value of land. $[illegible]	
	[illegible] in the Bog. No. [illegible] acres, 10. Value of land. $25	
	Total value of real estate $7975.	$342.93

Dec 15th, 1931 F. A. WIGHT, Collector of Taxes of the Town of Gilead.

STATE OF MAINE
COLLECTOR'S ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE OF LANDS OF NON-RESIDENT OWNERS

Unpaid taxes on lands situated in the Town of Newry, in the County of Oxford, for the year 1931.

The following list of taxes on real estate of non-resident owners in the Town of Newry, aforesaid, for the year 1931, committed to me for collection for said Town on the 6th day of June, 1931, remain unpaid; and notice is hereby given that if said taxes with interest and charges are not previously paid, so much of the real estate taxed as is sufficient to pay the amount due therefor, including interest and charges, will be sold without further notice at public auction at Grange Hall in said Town on the first Monday in February, 1932, at nine o'clock, A. M.

Name of Owner	Description of Property	Tax
Wm. P. M. Braun & Sons, Inc.	Part of Parker Land. No. acres, 70. Value of land, $185	
	Wild land east of Sunday River. No. acres, 320. Value of land, $1920.	
	Total value of real estate, $2095	$108.22
Cole & Leighton.	Stanborn & Chase lot. No. of acres, 500. Value of land $[illegible]	
	Richardson & Williamson land. No. of acres, 450. Value of land $270.	
	Lot 1, range 1. No. of acres, 175. Value of land $[illegible]	
	Total value of real estate $[illegible]	$317.75
Fred W. Davis.	D. W. Davis place. No. [illegible] P. Davis. So. by [illegible] land. Bounded East by D. P. Davis. West by Bear River. No. of acres, [illegible]. Value of land $[illegible]. Value of buildings, $[illegible]	
	West of Bear River. No. of acres, 60. Value of land, $[illegible]	
	Total value of real estate, $[illegible]	[illegible]
Edward Fisher.	Home [illegible] D. P. Davis farm. No. of acres [illegible]. Value of land, $1,032. Value of buildings, $1200.	
	Land bought of J. J. Spinney. Lot 4, range [illegible]. No. of acres, 100. Value of land, $800.	
	East of Sunday River. Lot 5, range 2. No. of acres, 100. Value of land, $1120.	
	Total value of real estate, $4392	[illegible]
Mrs. P. C. Fairbanks.	Williamson farm. No. of acres, 75. Value of land, $500. Value of buildings, $300.	
	Total value of real estate, $800.	$37.60
Fogg Brothers.	Wild land bought of Denton Lumber Co. No. of acres, 3600. Value of land, $2400.	1090.85
	Wild land, Sunday River. Value of land, $2760.	130.56
Herman Mason,	¼ interest in common	
	¾ interest in common. No. of acres, 1200. Value of land $8100.	380.70
Sarah Bird,	Lot 1, range 14. No. of acres, 70. Value of land, $700.	
Widber Heirs.	½ interest in common undivided. Lot 2, range 14. No. of acres, 100. Value of land, $700.	
W. W. Widber,	½ interest in common undivided. Lot 3, range 14. No. of acres, 100. Value of land, $700.	
L. G. Widber.	½ interest in common undivided. Lot 4, range 14. No. of acres, 50. Value of Land, $350. Paid.	
A. L. Widber,	Total value of real estate, $2450.	$6.50

Dec. 15, 1931. EDNA C. SMITH, Collector of Taxes of the Town of Newry

News Review of Current Events the World Over

Representative McFadden's Violent Attack on President Hoover Stirs House—Chicago Wins the Republican National Convention.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

TWO Republican members of congress from Pennsylvania—Representative Louis McFadden and Senator David A. Reed—stirred up the national legislature by violent attacks on the policy of President Hoover and the administration in relation to the moratorium on intergovernmental debts and the suggested revisal of the refunding commission with the possibility of cancellation of war debts. McFadden, former chairman of the house banking and currency committee, was especially bitter in his hour-long speech, asserting that Mr. Hoover had "sold out" the United States to "the German international bankers" whom he named as Kuhn, Loeb & Co., the Seligmans, Paul Warburg and "their satellites." He said the administration's course in working for acceptance of the moratorium was like "the ways of an oriental potentate drunk with power." He declared the President's unofficial poll of congress last June was "a crude attempt to usurp legislative power."


L. McFadden

Representative John J. O'Connor of New York, a Tammany Democrat, jumped to his feet shouting to the Republicans:

"You are President as well as we are, he's talking about, and if none of you will defend him from charges which are grounds for impeachment, I'm going to."

But Bernard M. Culperton of Illinois, Republican, was already up and his words were vigorous and adequate. Said he:

"If the gentleman (McFadden) means what he says and if the gentleman is sincere, let him and his associates prepare articles of impeachment against the President of the United States and let those articles of impeachment be tried, and then the proof may be known, and let the guilt and infamy and horror fall where it may. The President of the United States would ask for such action, knowing that the truth and a fair inquiry would vindicate him. . . .

"Ladies and gentlemen, if there is one particle of integrity in the statement the gentleman has made, let the gentleman produce proof of the charges. Let him show that we have a President who is unworthy of occupying that high office or let him go from this chamber as a foul traducer of the character of an honest man."

SENATOR REED, who has often been regarded as the spokesman for Secretary Mellon denounced what he called the propaganda by the international bankers to force cancellation for their own selfish interests and he declared flatly that he was opposed to the revisal of the war debt commission as proposed by the President.

"The debts cancelled," he said, "will not be paid by those who are going to cancel; it is will be the money of most of the nations of Europe to pay as the amounts stand now, and as long as that fact stares us in the face it is sheer imbecility for us to be any more generous than we have been in the past."

Senators Walsh of Tennessee and Johnson of California followed in much the same vein and both declared they would not vote even for the one year moratorium. The latter was before the house ways and means committee and Undersecretary Mills and Secretary of State Stimson both appeared before that body to urge ratification.

SPEAKER GARNER and Senator Robinson announced that the Democratic leaders had decided that the Hoover moratorium should be extended for [illegible] months for purposes of [illegible] and should be [illegible] upon the personal views of the Democratic members. The committee also decided that every possible effort should be made to secure [illegible] Democratic members [illegible] that [illegible] not [illegible] the moratorium [illegible] January [illegible] for future consideration.


Senator Moses

The first bill to reach actual consideration in the senate was one introduced by Senator Hale, to authorize building the navy up to the London treaty limits.

Organization of the senate was accomplished by the election of committee chairmen, but the deadlock over the choice of a president pro tempore was not broken. The progressives opposing the reelection of Senator George Moses of New Hampshire would not give in, and Moses continued to preside. The day the results were announced Senator Vandenberg of Michigan, a regular who was a leader of the so-called "young guard" last session, was elected president pro tem. Senator Vandenberg and the young guard spurned this overture and continued to vote for Moses.

CHICAGO captured the Republican national convention of 1932, the administration's alleged opposition to that city not manifesting itself. The national committee, presided over by Chairman Fess, listened to earnest arguments in favor of Chicago and Atlantic City, and on the first ballot gave 80 votes to the former and 14 to the latter. The choice was then made unanimous. Cleveland, Detroit, Philadelphia and St. Louis withdrew their bids before the balloting began, none of them having been able to raise the money for the convention expense. The committee decided that the convention should be called for the 14th of June.

Chicago guarantees up to $150,000 to pay for the expenses of the G. O. P. gathering, and her hotels have agreed to accommodate 3,500 delegates, alternates and newspaper men at rates of from $1.50 to $4 a day. The convention will be held in the new stadium, which can seat about 20,000 and which has ample accommodations for committees, etc. It has a cantilever roof without obstructing pillars, a modern ventilating and refrigerating system, excellent acoustics and a fine pipe organ. The only drawback is the fact that the stadium is located on the West side, several miles from the hotels that will house the visitors.

RELIEF for the nation's jobless is still foremost in the mind of Senator Robert F. Wagner of New York. Last week he introduced in the senate a resolution designed to set in motion the machinery created by the federal employment stabilization act which was passed last session at his instance. This would mean a start on a two billion-dollar federal public works program that would give employment to thousands of men.


Sen. Wagner

In the preamble to his resolution, Senator Wagner set forth facts and figures showing the gravity of the depression. After citing the numbers of unemployed, the many bank failures and the falling off in production, he showed that the volume of construction for the third quarter of 1931 was $858,900,000 or 53 per cent less than for the third quarter of 1928, that the volume of building contracts awarded declined $2,447,500,000 in the first nine months of 1931 below the similar period in 1928; that the volume of construction of public works and public utilities has fallen from $1,[illegible]043,000 in the first nine months of 1929 to $982,700,000; that the wholesale prices of building materials declined from an index of 82.0 in January to 71.[illegible] in September, that money spent for relief in the larger American cities was in September, 1931, 142 per cent greater than in September, 1930, and in October, 1931, 113 per cent greater than in October, 1930.

OVER in Basel, Switzerland, the Young plan advisory committee, of which Alfredo Beneduce of Italy is chairman, was said to have abandoned any intention of making strong recommendations for the complete abolition of reparations payments by Germany, although this was strongly urged by Collijn, neutral Dutch member, and favored by others. The committee's mind was probably changed by the firm stand taken by Walter W. Stewart, United States member, against the scaling down of war debts, but Parker Gilbert says the American attitude will be more lenient in a few months. The advisory committee will merely report to the various governments the facts concerning Germany's capacity to pay, and action will be put up to the final reparations conference [illegible] January.


A. Beneduce

A technical subcommittee submitted a written report to Chairman Beneduce on German holdings abroad and the holdings of foreigners in Germany with a view to establishing the net debt of the reich. The figures were held in secrecy.

It was understood this subcommittee suggested it was impossible to uncover all German investments abroad and intimated that they were much larger than the 9,700,000,000 reichsmarks listed in the Wiggin report as of December 31, 1930.

UNDER pressure, Chiang Kai-shek finally has resigned as president of China, and with him Minister of Finance Soong and Foreign Minister Wellington Koo also have stepped down. The result, it is predicted in the orient, will be a united China under a coalition government, with the Canton faction holding the upper hand. The group that overthrew Chiang includes Dr. Sun Fo, son of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen; C. C. Wu, former minister to the United States, and Eugene Chen, formerly foreign minister. For the present Lin Sen, a veteran member of the Nationalist party, is at the head of the government.


Chiang Kai-shek

According to these leaders, the new government will not longer rely so much on the League of Nations and will assume a much more vigorous policy toward Japan in the Manchurian dispute. This announcement may serve to quiet the Chinese students, who in their effort to bring on actual war with Japan have continued their riotous demonstrations in Nanking.

Chiang Kai-shek explained his resignation in the following statement:

"I have tried to fulfill my obligations ever since I was made chairman of the National government in 1928. My comrades at Canton said they would come to Nanking only on condition that I resign. This means that I must retire before peace and unity are restored."

MUKDEN dispatches indicate that Manchuria will soon become autonomous, with Gen. Tsang Shih-yi as its first ruler. The general has just been installed as governor of Fengtien province, of which Mukden is the capital. He replaced Yuan Chin-Kai, who was installed after the Japanese captured the city in September and was never considered more than a temporary figurehead.

JAPAN'S new premier, Tsuyoshi Inukai, in his first interview declared Japan does not covet an inch of ground in Manchuria but insisted that Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang must withdraw his army from the Chinchow region. He said the Japanese demanded only their treaty rights, with guarantees of safety for their nationals in China.


Premier Inukai

In response to a question regarding disarmament, the premier said, "I favor it. One of the most absurd ideas in the world is the insistence upon maintaining large armies and navies."

He concluded the interview with the hope that the United States would soon get over its streak of thrift and "buy more silk—Japan needs the money."

The premier has appointed as foreign minister Kenkichi Yoshizawa, ambassador to Paris and Japan's representative at the meetings of the League of Nations council.

CHANCELLOR BRUENING'S government in Germany seems to be secure until January at least, for the Socialist party in caucus decided to support him long enough to give him an opportunity to enforce the price reductions he promised in his emergency decree. If he fails in this, the Socialists will join the Communist and Hitlerites in opposition and may overthrow him.

The reich authorities are working hard to uncover the facts in the Fascist plot against the republic which they believe exists. In reply to Bruening's threat to mobilize an army if necessary to crush the Nazis, Herr Hitler gave out a long letter in which he defied the chancellor, called his emergency worthless and demanded liberty and power for the Fascists.

REPORTS of the royal mix-up in Rumania continue contradictory and confusing. The latest is that King Carol and Prince Nicholas have made up, that the latter has agreed to give up his wife, Jana Deleti, legally but only legally, and that he will therefore retain his royal titles and prerogatives and his military commands. So Nicholas and Jana will be merely companions, as were—and are—Carol and Magda Lunescu.

ENGLAND'S round table conference over the status of Burma promises to go the way of that concerning India. The other day three delegates representing certain elements in Burma withdrew from the conference because of dissatisfaction with the British statement of intentions to give Burma a constitution inside of which to become a self governing dominion. The three delegates said they went to London with instructions from their private to return immediately if anything less than a full, immediate and responsible government was offered.

ILLINOIS Republicans are anxiously waiting to learn whether United States District Judge James H. Wilkerson will run for governor of that state. So far he is silent. Recently Judge Wilkerson called on President Hoover and it is said the President urged him to go after the governorship, predicting his election. The jurist, it is reported, would prefer to remain on the bench and to accept his stated promotion to the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals.

Being Constantly Amused

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Emeritus Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

We have never had moving picture or vaudeville houses open on Sunday in our town for more than a few days at least. Every few years the subject comes up for discussion and sometimes even a vote is taken, but so far the opposition has won out.

Those who favor the opening of the theaters on Sunday argue that there is nothing to do if they cannot see a vaudeville show or a moving picture. They are resourceless; they yawn or sleep through the day and are glad when Monday comes and they can take up their regular work again.

The thing that has interested me in observing the people who have made the loudest pleas for the Sunday theater is that they are the ones who have most opportunity if they choose to use it, for this sort of recreation during the week.

I was more than interested while reading excerpts from the autobiography of Mr. George Arliss to get a point of view very different from what one might expect from this great actor who has spent all his life on the stage and who must have a very favorable opinion of what the theater has to contribute toward the healthy amusement of the public.

"If I had my way," he says, "I would close all theaters and all movie houses on Sunday. I would make it a day apart. I would withhold all the ordinary amusements except outdoor sports. . . . There is no reason why the day should be dull for anyone. There are always good books. There are hobbies to be pursued. I would have all the art galleries and museums wide open. I would have classical music and high-class concerts. . . . I do not suggest that this class of entertainment is necessarily better, but it is different, and it is likely to open up in one's mind fresh ideas. . . . An unbroken routine in our amusements may be as bad as a steady grind in our labors."

It is his last sentence which appeals to me.

"An unbroken routine in our amusements may be as bad as a steady grind in our labors."

Butterflies Are Travelers

One of the greatest long-distance flyers is the large Cabbage White butterfly, to be seen everywhere in summertime. These insects sometimes hatch out in millions on islands in the Baltic and, finding food supplies insufficient, collect into great hordes and migrate to places all over Europe. They are sometimes seen passing over Germany in clouds so thick that they resemble snowstorms. The Painted Lady's real home is Central Africa. In some seasons, millions upon millions of these insects cross the Sahara desert, spend a short time on the shores of northern Africa, and then continue their journey northwards. Many reach the British Isles, and it is not uncommon for a fair number to arrive in Ireland.

That $2 Superstition

The origin of the superstition that a $2 bill is unlucky no doubt had its origin in the fact that counterfeiters often "split" them in order to make two $20 bills out of one twenty and a two. It has also been said that $2 was the price formerly paid for a vote by corrupt politicians and that $2 bills were used for payment. It was facetiously said to be prima facie evidence that one had sold his vote if he possessed a $2 bill. In 1925 the government attempted to popularize them by inserting one in each pay envelope of federal employees, but this method did not succeed in bringing them into favor.

Daytime Frocks

This is the season for wool frocks and color. On the left is one of the new jacket dresses designed especially to carry out a contrast such as bright green wool over black or rust over brown. On the right is the type of frock so effective in a soft sheer wool crepe—wide revere collar, roomy sleeves not quite wrist length, and slim wrap-around skirt.—Woman's Home Companion.

There are still too many of us who imagine the way to get ahead is to gamble with what we have.

First Street Lighting

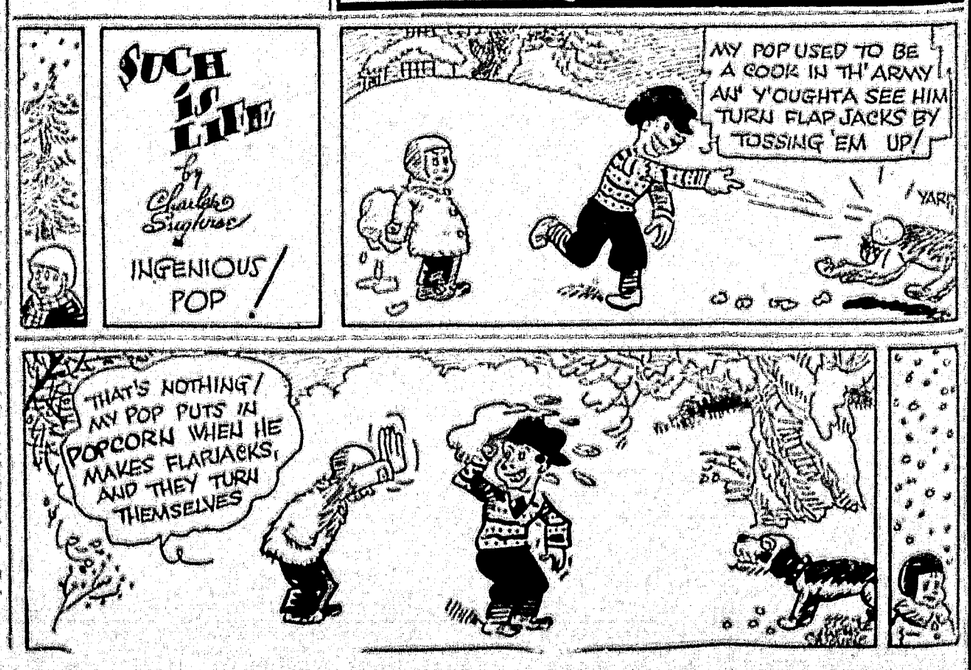
Antioch, in the Fourth century, is believed to have been the first city to make any attempt to light its streets at night.

Captain and Guard

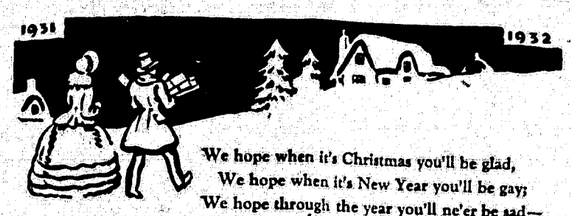
Harry Ashley is captain of the University of Chicago basketball team. He plays at guard.

Conduct Rules

Never hear patiently of evil, nor speak that which is mischievous and wicked; utter no lies, prevarications, or hypocrisy; use no deceit nor overreaching in trade or dealing; never oppress the weak and humble, nor offer any violence to your neighbor.—Exchange.

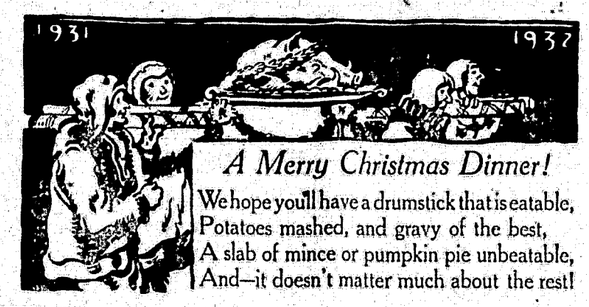


Christmas



We hope when it's Christmas you'll be glad,
We hope when it's New Year you'll be gay;
We hope through the year you'll ne'er be sad—
We want you to be happy every day!

THE FIRST NATIONAL STORES, INC.
N. H. HALL, Mgr.
BETHEL



A Merry Christmas Dinner!

We hope you'll have a drumstick that is eatable,
Potatoes mashed, and gravy of the best,
A slab of mince or pumpkin pie unbeatable,
And—it doesn't matter much about the rest!

FARWELL & WIGHT
BETHEL

Happy New Year!

For favors shown, our thanks—
Our friendships we hold dear;
Old thirty-one played pranks,
But—*Thirty-two is here!*

DAVE'S FRUIT STORE
BETHEL

The holidays of auld lang syne
Remind me now 'tis time to send
This Merry Christmas wish of mine
To every customer and friend!

ROBERTSON SERVICE STATION
BETHEL

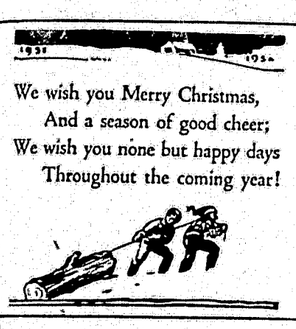
Merry Christmas!

We like this town, we like its folks,
They give us smiles instead of croaks;
We like the whole wide country 'round,
And that takes in a lot of ground!

CENTRAL SERVICE STATION
J. B. CHAPMAN, Prop.
BETHEL

We would sing you a carol,
but ah, we can't sing;
We would ring you a chime,
but we've nothing to ring;
So we send you a wish
that is sincere and true,
A right Merry Christmas,
and a glad New Year, too!

J. P. BUTTS
Hardware
BETHEL

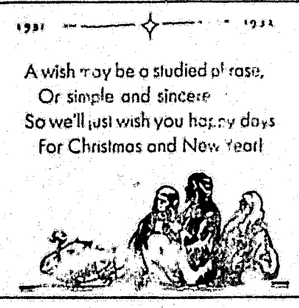


We wish you Merry Christmas,
And a season of good cheer;
We wish you none but happy days
Throughout the coming year!

L. W. RAMSELL CO.
BETHEL

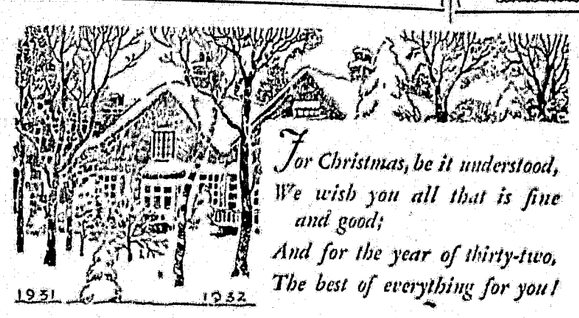
When we're recalling on Christmas day
Your patrons and friends of our store,
We shall be sending a thought your way
And wishing you joys by the score!

L. M. STEARNS
Millinery
BETHEL



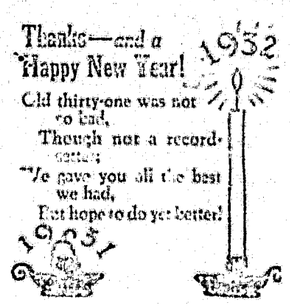
A wish may be a studied phrase,
Or simple and sincere
So we'll just wish you happy days
For Christmas and New Year!

J. B. HAM CO.
BETHEL, MAINE



For Christmas, be it understood,
We wish you all that is fine and good;
And for the year of thirty-two,
The best of everything for you!

THE GREAT A. & P. TEA COMPANY
RALPH BURRIS, Mgr.
BETHEL



Thanks—and a Happy New Year!
Old thirty-one was not so bad,
Though not a record-setter;
We gave you all the best we had,
But hope to do yet better!
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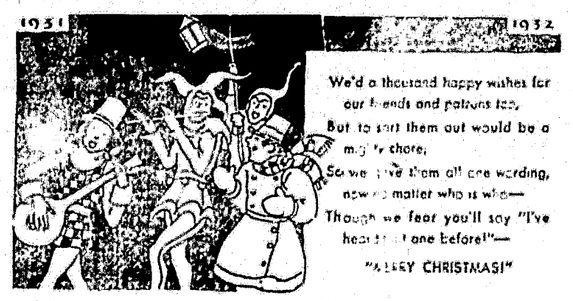
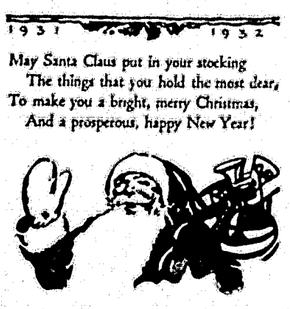
BEAN & FOX CO.
Meats and General Merchandise
BETHEL



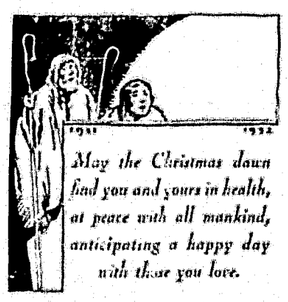
We'd a thousand happy wishes for our friends and patrons too,
But to sort them out would be a mighty chore;
So we give them all one wording,
now no matter who is who—
Though we fear you'll say "I've heard that one before!"—
"MERRY CHRISTMAS!"

ROWE'S
BETHEL, MAINE



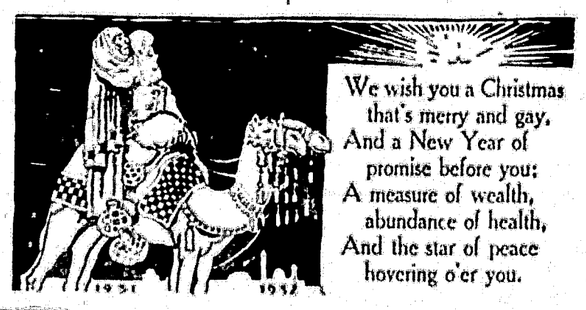
May Santa Claus put in your stocking
The things that you hold the most dear,
To make you a bright, merry Christmas,
And a prosperous, happy New Year!

W. E. BARTLETT
General Insurance
BETHEL



May the Christmas dawn find you and yours in health, at peace with all mankind, anticipating a happy day with those you love.

D. G. BROOKS
Hardware
BETHEL

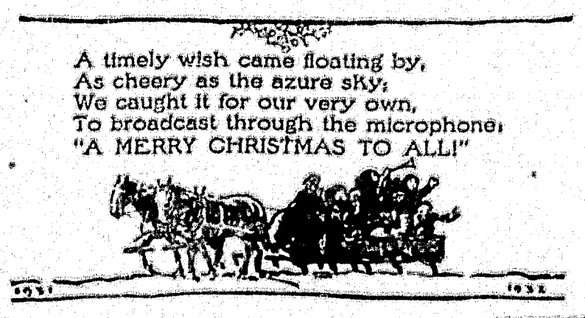


We wish you a Christmas
that's merry and gay,
And a New Year of
promise before you;
A measure of wealth,
abundance of health,
And the star of peace
hovering o'er you.

EDWARD P. LYON
"The Store of Many Gifts"
BETHEL

We wish you a glad, merry Christmas,
Some joy that lasts past the year;
We wish you a sweet, happy New Year,
For New Year, where's one like it?

BETHEL SAVINGS BANK



A timely wish came floating by,
As cheery as the azure sky;
We caught it for our very own,
To broadcast through the microphone,
"A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL!"

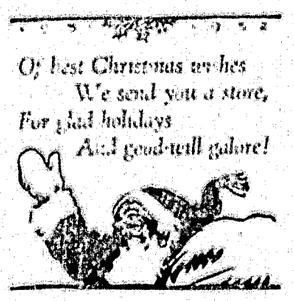
W. E. BOSSERMAN
Druggist
BETHEL

We're sending this bouquet of wishes
To all of our friends far and near,
For happiness, joy and contentment,
On Christmas and through the New Year!

H. I. BEAN
BUILDING MATERIAL
Fire Arms, Ammunition
Raw Furs and Skins
BETHEL

May the spirit of Christmas
Descend on your nest,
And bring you whatever
Is sweetest and best.

M. A. NAIMEY
Shoes, Clothing and Furnishings
BETHEL



Of best Christmas wishes
We send you a store,
For glad holidays
And good-will galore!

ALLEN'S SHOE STORE
Shoes and Hosiery
BETHEL

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FOR SALE—Kineo C Range in good condition with large warming closet, hot water tank and brass hot water coil. Wood and coal grate included. Call Bethel 43-2. 34tf

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TOP GRADE CORDWOOD, $9.00. Second grade cordwood, $7.75. Birch edgings $5.00 and Pine slabwood $3.00 per cord. These prices are delivered. Prompt trucking service also. Call WARREN O. BLAKE, Tel. 33-3. 38

Wanted

WANTED — WASHINGS. 20 lbs. washed, rough dried, not called for or delivered, 50c. Washed, dried but ironed, 6c a lb. MABEL F. BLAKE. Tel. 33-3. 39p

Miscellaneous

Guns, Rifles, Ammunition and Trappers Supplies, bought, sold and exchanged. H. I. BEAN, Fur Buyer and Lumber Dealer, Bethel, Maine. 23tf

Why Old Social Custom Called for White Horse

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Miss Doris Goss

Miss Doris Goss [illegible] Hall [illegible] Hall [illegible] New York.

MICKIE SAYS—

AMERICA'S WORLD RESPONSIBILITIES

By H. J. HAAS

President American Bankers Association

WE are in a changing world, with many new financial problems for which we have no precedents, and many old problems which have so changed as to be unrecognizable. American bankers have been called into world affairs to blaze new trails of unknown distance. We may expect these calls to be more numerous in the future than they have in the past. We are the world's financial leader and we must accept the responsibility which goes with it.

H. J. HAAS

Let us look to the future with confidence. Every one has experienced a great sorrow some time, perhaps so great we felt we could never overcome it, but time is the great healer and eventually we have come out of it. As it is with individuals, so it is with nations. Our nation has had much sorrow in the 155 years of its existence. In that time we have passed through the major depressions of 1837-1857-1873 to 1879-1884-1893-1896-1907-1914-1921 and the present.

I venture to state that in each of these periods there were those who had doubts of the future just as we have them today, but what happened after each depression? Our country recovered, to be better and stronger than ever. Its people were introduced to mode of living they never dreamed of, until today, notwithstanding our depression, we live on the highest plane of any nation in the world. Should we not judge the future by past experience?

Surely our people are better prepared, financially and intellectually, to cope with even greater problems than they have been in the past, and look to the future confident that financial, social and economic problems will be solved satisfactorily.

Confidence is not established by any one thing but by an accumulation of things. If we can get confidence started on its way, gathering a little here and there, it will accelerate the more it goes along. This is not the work of any one man to perform but is the cumulative effort of each and every one of us. What we are in the future is not the result of what we have done on any one day but the result of all that we have done for all time. The American Bankers Association is endeavoring to do its part. Individually our efforts may not count for much, but they are part of the whole plan and taken in the aggregate they amount to the sum total of all our efforts.

PUBLIC INJURED BY BANK GOSSIP

National Association Declares Community Interests Demand Protection Against Idle Rumors

BOTH in their relations with and in their direct contact with customers and others, bankers should [illegible] more time and thought to keeping people informed of the facts, while the banks can carry obligations toward its customers, equally it is seen that the depositing public has certain obligations to the bank to enable it to properly maintain its position in the community," a recent statement of the American Bankers Association declares.

"A bank obviously is a semi-public institution and there is a mutuality of obligation resting upon both the banker and his customers to maintain the effective functioning of that institution that is superior to the personal interests of either," it says.

Bankers which will conscientiously devote genuine effort to building up the public viewpoint in their communities will find that in these public obligations and in building public interest, the banks are entitled to protection against ill-informed or malicious gossip and rumors, the statement says.

"As to banks in some states, bank leaders look upon this protection," it points out. "We recommend that this protection be availed of by definite action other than practical both as a matter of immediate expediency and also to awaken public opinion as to the dangers of idle gossip about a community's banking institutions."

What Can Be Done

Farmers should rid themselves of any false hope of outside aid from legislation. The only recourse left for the producer on a reduced price level is to produce his goods at reduced costs, and nearly every farmer can likely put into force a few economies in production. Farmers must produce as largely as possible the materials they use, and get away from cash purchases until prices come down proportionately on the things they buy. The cheapest way in the farming business is to raise your own feed and not let the other man get your dollars.

HERE AND THERE IN MAINE

William Lyons of North Litchfield was shot and wounded in the head by an unknown assailant Saturday evening. Mr. Lyons is unable to throw any light on the affair as he has no enemy to his knowledge.

Potatoes selling at 50 cent per barrel spurred farmers, growers and business men on to a mass meeting in Presque Isle Wednesday. They sought to establish a selling price to be set by a committee.

Boy Scouts in Auburn have worked fast and diligently during the past month with the result that several thousand toys have been reclaimed. These will be distributed by a troop of scouts and many juvenile hearts made happy.

According to all reports there is little snow in Maine. There is none on the coast and very light coverings in the mountains. Greenville on Moosehead Lake boasts 11 inches and 16 inch ice in the lake.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

L. A. Edwards, Pastor

9.30. Church School. Miss Ida Packard, Superintendent. Entertaining Heavenly Guests; a Christmas Story.

10.45. Morning Worship. Sermon by the pastor, "Building for Tomorrow," a New Year's Message.

At the beginning of a New Year it is wise for us to pause and survey the foundations that have been laid for our building; to look over the materials that have been assembled, out of which we purpose to erect the superstructure.

Phillips Brooks once said, "Think not so much of the towers of the building you are erecting as of the brick and stone that you are fitting into the building today."

6.30. Comrades of the Way. Subject, Building Our Life Program for the Year. Leader, Paul Chapman.

BETHEL M. E. CHURCH

Rev. R. C. Dalzell, Minister

Sunday School at 9.45. Superintendent, Mrs. Bertha Wheeler.

10.45. Morning Worship. Topic, How New Shall Your New Year Be? The sacrament will be administered at this service.

6.30. Epworth League.

7.30. Evening Service.

Tuesday evening, Prayer Service

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

Chapman Street

Sunday School at 10 o'clock.

Services Sunday morning at 10:45. Subject of the lesson sermon, Christian Science.

Wednesday testimonial meeting at 7:30 P. M.

Born

In South Paris, Dec. 16, to the wife of Roy O. Noyes of Bryant Pond, a son, Merle LeRoy.

In Lewiston, Oct. 28 to the wife of Leslie Arthur Doughty of West Paris, a son, Donald Leslie.

In South Paris, Dec. 5, to the wife of Toivo Purainen, a son, Jack.

In Norway, Dec. 17, to the wife of Edward Alton Luck, a son, Hayward Alan.

Married

In South Paris, Dec. 12, by Rev. Russel H. Colby, Harold H. Green and Miss Irene D. Libby both of Scarboro.

In Woonsocket, R. I., Dec. 14, by Rev. Samuel A. Livingstone, Ralph Lawrence Farrar of West Upton, Mass. and Miss Elizabeth Mary Cooper of South Paris.

In Mexico, Dec. 16, by Rev. W. A. Knight, John Everett Farrington of East Andover and Miss Lila B. Murphy of Mexico.

Died

In Bethel Dec. 15, Eli Stearns, aged 88 years.

In Auburn, Harry G. Cole, a native of Buckfield, aged 73 years.

In Center Lovell, Dec. 12, Gardner McAllister, aged 85 years.

In West Peru, Dec. 16, Hari son of Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Dyment, aged 6 months.

In Norway, Dec. 17, Mrs. Abra J. Clark, widow of Hiram Clark, aged 75 years.

In Rumford, Dec. 17, John Phillipson of Mr and Mrs Joseph Vallee, Jr., aged 1 year, 3 months.

In Auburn, Dec. 20, Orinton Berry, formerly of Rumford aged 70 years.

In Norway, Dec. 20, Charles J. Everett, aged 82 years.

Races of Mankind

There are various classifications of mankind according to race. One classification gives six races: Mongolian, Caucasian, Negro, Semitic, Malayan and Red Indian. The late Professor Brinton, American ethnologist, divided mankind into five chief groups—Caucasian, Mongolian, Malay, Ethiopian and American Indian. Doctor Hrdlicka of the division of physical anthropology, United States museum, gives three main human races, as follows: White, including the Mediterranean, the Alpines and the Nordics. Yellow-brown, including the Mongoloids, the Malays and the American Indians. Black, including the Negrito, Negrillo and Bushmen, the Melanesian negroes and Australian aborigines, and African negroes.

BRYANT POND

WOODSTOCK FARM BUREAU

Woodstock Farm Bureau held their planning meeting Wednesday, Dec. 16, with quite a good attendance. The following officers were elected:

Community Chairman—Mrs. Edith Jackson.

Club Leader—Mrs. R. F. Willard.

Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. Florence Cushman.

Clothing Project Leader—Mrs. R. F. Willard.

Food Project Leader—Mrs. Myrtle Hayes.

Home Management Leader—Mrs. Edith Abbott.

The program for the ensuing year is as follows:

Jan 14—Rugs.
Feb. 26—Vegetables for Health.
Mar. 10—Quilt Craft.
Mar. 30—Dressing the Children.
April 21—Stenciling.
May 12—Slip Covers.
June 16—Cold Dishes for Hot Days.
May 26—Home Furnishings.
July 21—Basketry.
Aug. 25—Cut Flowers.
Sept. 28—Posture and Grooming.
Oct. 18—Reconditioning the Wardrobe.
Nov. 3—Christmas Work.
Nov. 17—Upholstery.
Dec. —Planning Meeting.

In the forenoon they had a short entertainment:

Song, America the Beautiful, Members
Reading, Eva Yates
Song, Mrs Gertrude Redman
Scenic reading, Jason Stebbins' Courting
Reading, Mrs. Martha Dudley
Three films shown by Miss Colomy.

The Garden Club met with Mrs. Florence Cushman on Thursday afternoon. It is by the means of the Garden Club that the Community Christmas Tree on the Common is lighted. The Glee Club and Choir will sing carols Thursday night.

The Woodstock High School held their prize speaking in the Grange Hall Thursday evening with the following program:

Grange Orchestra
The Man with his Hat in his Hand, Clark Havell
Elwyn Brooks
Midshipman Easy, Sylvia C. Bates
Elsie Abbott
The Union Soldier, Hon. John Thurston
Linwood Felt
How the Lattue Stakes Were Lost, C. N. Hood
Evelyn Howe
Hannibal on the Alps, E. G. Swan
Falkner Chase
Orchestra
An American Citizen, Frank Crawford
Jennie Norton
The Cop and the Anthem, O. Henry
Albert Brooks
The Fall from Grace, Myrtle Reed
Harriet Swift
Plupy's Debating Club, Henry A. Shute
Robert Cummings
The Wheels of Time, Florence Barclay
Eva Billings

The prizes were awarded as follows: Eva Billings, first for girls; Evelyn Howe, second for girls; Elwyn Brooks, first for boys; Robert Cummings, second for boys. Eva Billings was judged the best speaker and will represent Woodstock High in the County contest.

Franklin Grange held its regular meeting Saturday night with a large attendance. There were visitors from South Paris and East Bethel. The third and fourth degrees were conferred on a class of three. The following officers were elected.

Master—Edwin Perham.
Overseer—Lester Felt.
Lecturer—Florence Perham.
Chaplain—Lamont Brooks.
Steward—Otis Dudley.
Asst. Steward—Linwood Felt.
Treasurer—Florence Cushman.
Secretary—G. W. Q. Perham.
Ceres—Barbara Bennett.
Flora—Irene Ames.
Pomona—Alice Knight.
L. A. Steward—Elsie Abbott.
Gatekeeper—Donald Bennett.
Chorister—Annie Davis.

The grade schools had their Christmas trees and a good program Friday afternoon. The scholars did credit to their teachers. Schools finished for one week's vacation.

Jefferson Chapter, O. E. S., held their regular meeting Friday evening with a good attendance. After the business meeting they had a Christmas tree and played a few games. Refreshments of pop corn, corn balls and home made candy were served.

Percy Bowker, who has been visiting his brother, Albert Bowker for the past two weeks, has returned to Portland.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Bryant and Arthur Farrington were in Lewiston Saturday.

The Grange Store will be open next Saturday, Dec. 26, when there will be a sale of lumbermen's rubbers, overshoes, and boys shoes, pants and leather top rubbers.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

Questions

1. Who is the author of "The Scarlet Letter"?
2. What Biblical character was struck dead in the midst of a lie?
3. What is a crater?
4. Is it correct to say, "Whenever I see him I always think of John"?
5. What is the chief source of the coffee supply of the world?
6. What nation subsists principally upon rice?
7. On what activity is Ely Culverson considered an authority?
8. What are the duties of the vice president?
9. In mathematics what is the greatest common divisor?
10. What is the equator?

Answers to Last Week's Questions

1. Samuel L. Clemens. (Mark Twain).
2. The minuend is the number from which another is subtracted.
3. For his skill as a violinist.
4. Damascus.
5. Both expressions are correct.
6. Russia.
7. Legislative, executive and judicial.
8. Nautilus.
9. Charles Curtis.
10. Edsel Ford.

Are you reading "Forgotten Heroes" each week in the Citizen?

New Brunswick History Crowded With Romance

New Brunswick was first settled by the French, and its history is filled with romance. Cabot was the first known white man to visit it in 1497—he landed somewhere on the north shore. His discovery was apparently not valued very highly by the English king, as the expenditure account for that year, preserved in the British museum, contains the item, "to hym that founde the New Isle, £10." In 1604, three adventuring French nobles, Champlain, De Monts and Poutrincourt, sailed into the mouth of "a great river" on St. John's day, June 24, and named the river in honor of the saint. The only habitation they found was on the little island in the harbor—an Indian fort and village. Champlain then claimed the land for the French king.

The years that followed tell the story of rivalry between the traders, the brave defense of her husband's fort by Lady La Tour, with its tragic sequel, and many other heroic incidents. New Brunswick was part of Evangeline's land and in the early days of strife sheltered Evangeline's friends in her kindly forests. Later she opened her doors and heart to the men and women of 1783 who for loyal allegiance gave up all to face privation and hardship and founded St. John, the city of the loyalists, and later St. Andrews, Maugerville, and other settlements in the province.